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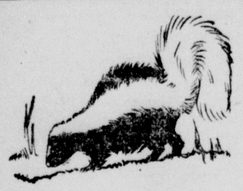

THE P. C. EDITOR SAYS—

Considerable uneasiness is being felt by some citizens of Fredericktown and vicinity after the arrest of citizens of that city charged under the Mann Act of transporting girls to Illinois for immoral purposes. One of the girls is but 16 years of age and she has given up the names of her men friends and some of them married.

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Money spent to promote happiness is money well spent. This is the time of year when a little money will reach a long way towards making children happy as Santa Claus will not require a great outlay to satisfy their wishes.

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Wally Simpson kicked up a mighty furore in England in her endeavors to get to sit on the throne, lost, and now can sit on her pants.

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The "Ozark State Zephyr", new stream-lined train between St. Louis and Kansas City makes the run in five and a half hours. The diesel engine pulling four coaches carrying 135 passengers made the run at a cost of $6.50. This is the beginning of the end of the old coal burning engines.

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The Standard editor paid a visit to Muriel Hurt Saturday afternoon and found her in a very happy frame of mind. She is the young woman who was so badly injured in a car accident more than a year ago, and she is looking forward to the coming of Santa Claus just as eagerly as any child in the city. She has been such a patient invalid that it must be some unseen power that gives her strength to smile and seem happy. It is our expectation to look over Old Santa's pack and see if we can find something that whil please her and let her know she is not forgotten.

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Don't forget to drop the "6" and place a "7" in the date line begining Friday of next week. It will be a little awkward at first but you will soon get accustomed to it.

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Have you looked after Santa Claus and made arrangements for the present for some child or a basket of food for some old couple who would enjoy it? If not, get busy now . If you are fairly happy make some one else the same way.

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The repeating of the fire cracker law by the City Council cost merchants hundreds of dollars in trade Saturday afternoon and night. It was positively dangerous to be on the street when half brown boys and young men were throwing cannon crackers under the feet of men, women and children. If these dangerous bombs could have been exploded under the feet of the councilmen who voted for the repeal and the few merchants who asked for it, everything would have been all right. Women and children should stay off the streets at night as it is positively dangerous to life and limb.

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At last the bunch of Muench highbinders of St. Louis have been found guilty in the Federal Court and each stand to go to the penitentiary for five years. We have followed the case closely and are mighty proud of the way the United States District Attoney, H. C. Blanton, handled the case. The books should now be closed on the rotten bunch.

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The time has about passed when the home town newspaper devotes much of its space every week to urging a patriotic support of home merchants by their fellow citizens. We say it has about passed for the reason that too many readers take pleasure in acting contrary to the urging and advice of their editors. There is still a feeling of guilt on the part of the average person who buys from a mail order house. Yet we note in some people a sort of appearance of adventure in filling out a blank and sending off for a catalogued article, all the time hoping the post office employees will say nothing about it. There is no argument on the economy, in many cases, of buying the mail order way, for those big houses do not have to pay any local taxes nor contribute to the old age assistance through the sales tax. Neither do they get their names on the list of people solicited to help build country roads, bury people who die without funds or donate to local relief work. We would like to see home merchants appoint an investigating committee to make up a list of local mail order buyers and put a copy of such list in every business house in town. It is the unquestioned right of everyone to spend their own money where they see fit, but it should also be the privilege of the home store keeper to extend credit and other courtesies where he believes there will be reciprocation. —Shelbina Democrat.

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Young Welder Commits Suicide In Hotel Room

E. E. Young, a 32-year-old electric welder employed by the International Rail Weld Corporation of Chicago, was found dead at noon Sunday in a room at the Marshall hotel. Coroner H. J. Welsh and highway patrolmen who investigated Young's death said he undoubtedly committed suicide.

A maid at the Marshall discovered Young lying on his back on a bed when she entered to clean it. He had bled profusely through a bullet wound in his right temple.

A .32 caliber Iver Johnson pistol lay under his arm, and his topcoat and hat were on the bed. Nearby was a box of shells Young had bought at Sutton's Saturday. Five of them had been placed in the pistal.

Although friends said they knew no reason why Young would kill himself and were not even aware he possessed a gun, Mr. Welsh and officers found sufficient evidence to justfiy a suicide verdict.

Young was employed with a crew of men engaged in repairing the Frisco railroad tracks near here. He learned last week that the group would work Sunday in order to complete its project and that the men would leave here Monday for vacations which would extend until after January 1.

J. F. Richardson, a business associate of Young's, told Mr. Welsh Young went to his room in Jefferson hotel, where the crew lived, at 8:30 Saturday evening and that a 9:30, Richardson noticed Young's room was dark. The next morning when he went to call Young, he found the room vacant. The bed was mussed.

At Red Ellis' cafe, where Young went early Saturday night, Young asked attendants if they knew him. When they said they didn't he wrote his name and address on the back of a notebook, which he left at Ellis' "in case anybody should ask for me". Not long afterward, Young went to the Marshall. There he not only wrote his name and home address—Richards, Mo.—but also the name of the welding company employing him. Before he went upstairs, he asked if the could read his notations. He paid for his room in advance since he had left his baggage at the Jefferson.

On Sunday morning, Mr. Welsh found an envelope addressed to Young from Lawton, Mich., and in a billfold, Young's and Richardson's names and addresses. The letter from Lawton had been burned. In the billfold, also, was a life insurance policy premium receipt on which was written this note addressed to a Fort Scott, Kan., undertaking company: "Take Kare of my body. Expenses guaranteed prepaid. E. E. Young."

Mr. Welsh believes Young shot himself between 10:30 and 11 o'clock Saturday night. No one heard a shot. A possible robbery motive was discounted since Young's possessions were at the Jefferson and money was still in his billfold when his body was found. The room door was not locked.

Associates said Young seemed in a jovial mood last week-end but recalled he had told one of them to tell another he "sure was a good man".

Young was not married. His mother, Mrs. Minnie Young of Richards, in southwest Missouri, and a brother, a pilot in Kansas City for the American Airways Company, survive him. His brother came here Monday afternoon to accompany the body to Fort Scott, twelve miles from Richards, where funeral services will be held. Welsh service.

Keller Baby Dies During Night of Strangulation

Gene David, the five-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Keller, succumbed unexpectedly in his crib Friday night.

Coroner H. J. Welsh said Gene David had probably died of strangulation at about midnight. He had vomited. Mr. and Mrs. Keller did not hear him cry out as they sleep in the same room. and it was not until nearly 8 o'clock that Mrs. Keller discovered he was dead.

Mrs. Keller's father, Fred Davis of Madison, Neb., came here for funeral services, which were conducted Monday afternoon at the residence at William and Olive streets. The Rev. E. H. Orear preached. Interment was in the city cemetery.

If he had lived, Gene David would have been six months old Sunday . Besides his parents, he is survived by a sister, Anne Keller; another grandfather, Grover Keller of Sikeston; and his great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Keller. Dempster service.

Bach Child Bitten by Rat Dies In Hospital

Martha Ann, the 3-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Bach, died at the St. Francis hospital in Cape Girardeau at 10 o'clock Sunday night.

The cause of death was not definitely established, but physicians said it was possible Martha Ann had contracted rabies from a rat which bit her six times as she lay asleep at her home, 133 North Ranney street, on December 5. The rat bit entirely through the flesh of her right cheek once and its teeth broke the skin in numerous places. Martha Ann was treated here and at first felt no pain ,but on Saturday, when her condition grew worse, she was taken to the hospital.

Funeral services will be held in Kennett at 2 o'clock this (Tuesday) afternoon at the home of Mrs. Bach's foster parents. Burial will be in Kennett.

Martha Ann was born here on May 4, 1933. Besides her parents, she is survived by a 7-year-old brother, Alfred Anderson Bach. Ellise service.

Stringer School To Have Xmas Program

The pupils of Stringer school will give a program in connection with the Community Club at 7:30 Wednesday evening at the New Harmony church.

The Christmas story will be told in verse and song in an operetta, "King Winter's Throne". Two other features of the program will be the rhythm band by the primary pupils and a one-act play entitled, "The Enchanted Boxes".

Characters of "King Winter's Throne" are as follows:

King Winter—Lloyd Asbury.
The December Lady—Virgin Hodges.

Jack Frost and Snow Fairy—Gail King, Eunice Alsup.

Doorkeeper—Caster Alsup.
Wise Men—Russell Jones, Edward Snyder, Billy King.
Shepherds — Jimmy Hodges, Billy Lewis, Sylvan Asbury, John Griffin.

Characters for one-act play:
Mother—Martel Lambert.
Daughters — Gertrude, Eunice Alsup, Marjorie Alsup.
Fairy—Dorothy Lewis.
Brother—Billy Lewis.
Enchanted Boxes—Billy King, Sylvan Asbury, Jimmy Hodges, Edward Snyder.

There will also be a visit from Santa Claus.

BASKETBALL SCORES

Matthews Boys, 32; Charleston, 10.

Mattheys girls, 41; Charleston, 25.

Delta boys, 39; Illmo, 24.
Delta girls, 24; Illmo, 23.
Vanduser boys, 25 ;Blodgett, 21.
Blodgett girls, 30, Vanduser, 24.
Anniston boys, 9; Morley, 8.
Morley girls, 25; Anniston, 7.
Benton boys, 37; Chaffee, 10.
Chaffee girls, 32; Benton, 28.
Diehlstadt boys, 24; Fornfelt, 19.
Diehlstadt girls, 49; Fornfelt, 4.
Kewanee boys, 21; Marston, 4.
Kewanee girls, 17; Marston, 17.

NATIONAL INCOME GREATER

National income produced per capita was greater in 1934 than in 1900, and that in spite of the fact that many men and women were out of work in the later year. In 1900, national income produced was $16,200,000,000; in 1934 it was $47,600,000,000. The per capita income for the entire population increased 77 per cent between 1900 and 1930.

"It Won't Be Long Now!"

Roosevelt Changes Inter-American Scene

"Only those who have followed the sad record of the relations between the United States and the governments of the countries to the south of us can really appreciate the epochal change that President Roosevelt has brought to the inter-American scene."

So wrote David Lawrence—one of the president's severest critics so far as domestic policy is concerned—in the United States News of November 30.

About all the average citizen knows about U. S. foreign policy as related to the other countries in this hemisphere is that it is governed by something celebrated and vague called the Monroe doctrine. Probably not one citizen in fifty could accurately tell you what the Monroe doctrine provides. And probably not one citzien in a hundred realizes that the doctrine has been virtually a dead letter for several years and, as well, has caused a vast amount of unfriendly feeling toward this country in the Republics to the south.

Briefly and roughly described, the Monroe doctrine meant that the United States would not permit any European government to take over territory in Latin America—that the U. S. would act as a "Big Brother" in protecting Latin American territorial rights as well as its own. This seemed fair enough—but the doctrine had not been in effect for long before discord arose. More than a century ago, Brazil requested that the doctrine, in David Lawrence's words, "be made international, that it become a sort of offensive and defensive alliance in which all Latin countries should join with the United States in keeping European armies and navies out of this part of the world . . ." That request was refused, as were similar requests made periodically in later years.

Consequently, the Latin republics came to feel, rightly or wrongly, that the U. S. was taking advantage of the doctrine to rule their countries. This feeling was strengthened by sending U. S. marines south whenever trouble appeared in a Latin American nation.

There are no marines in Latin America now—and it seems doubtful if any will be sent there again. It is a curious fact that both Hoover and Roosevelt took the initiative in withdrawing the last of these agents of what Latin America considered "U. S. Imperialism." No longer does Washington take the position that it will back up any foreign ventures of American citizens with armed force if necessary. Our citizens now travel in Latin America at their own risk, and are subject to the laws of the countries where they go. Dipiomacy will be used to help them in difficulties—but not force. In other words, their status is exactly the same as if traveling in England, France, and other European countries.

What is the result of all this? In the eyes of many American observes, the result will be a genuine feeling of friendliness for us on the part of the republics to the south—and there are signs that such a feeling is now developing, though much suspicion remains. There is also the hope that dormant trade will be revived, and that by example the western hemisphere will show the world how nations can live without war, settling differences by amicable conferences. Furthermore, it is hoped that treaties will be effected whereby European powers wishing war materials will find the raw material markets of North and South America—the greatest in the world—firmly closed to them.

Mr. Roosevelt's speech at the recent Pan-American conference is generally considered one of the best he has ever made—he handled a delicate task well. Credit for the groundwork is given to Secretary Hull, who has spent his public life working quietly for peace, and for better commercial and diplomatic relations between powers.

HAS SECOND NARROW ESCAPE IN CAR WRECK

John A. Montgomery, manager of the Walnut Lane farm southeast of Dexter, escaped injury when his car collided on a Dexter street with one being driven by S. Pippins of Bernie.

Montgomery's machine was turned over twice in the accident and was badly damaged, but Montgomery was not hurt.

Several weeks ago, Montgomery's car left a highway viaduct approach near Dexter and plunged down a forty-foot embankment. He was not injured.

Ebert-Kready Enjoyed Christmas Party Thursday.

Thirty-three members and two guests of the Ebert-Kready Missionary society of the Methodist church enjoyed a pleasant meeting and Christmas party at the country home of Mrs. Arch Russell last Thursday afternoon. Gifts were placed under the lighted tree and distributed after the program, whcih was in charge of Mrs. E. H. Orear and included these numbers:

Reading — "Wedding Report", by Mrs. John Fox.

Song—"A King is Born", by Mrs. L. R. Burns.

Reading—"A Short Sermon", by Mrs. Harvey Morrison.

The devotional and pledge service, in charge of Mrs. Orear and Mrs. Jennie Stubblefield, followed the business meeting which was presided over by the president, Mrs. Arch Russell. Later a social hour with refreshments in seasonal colors was enjoyed. Announcement was also made of the following new officers for the new year and who will be installed on Sunday afternoon, January 3, by their pastor:

Mrs. Arthur Reese—president.
Mrs. T. M. Solomon—vice-president.
Miss Sadie Emory—recording and corresponding secretary.
Mrs. J. N. Ross—treasurer.
Mrs. G .A. Dempster—christian-social relations.
Mrs. G. W. Presnell—secretary of children's work.
Mrs. Grover Baker—superintendent of Bible and mission study.
Mrs. F. E. Mount—superintendent of local work.
Mrs. J. L. Tanner—superintendent of supplies.
Mrs. Lizzie Ferrell—world outlook.
Mrs. E. H. Orear—publicity superintendent.

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Office Seekers Must Fill Out Questionnaires

Democratic office-seekers found Governor-Elect Lloyd C. Stark intends to fulfill his promise of "a business-like administration" when they received personnel questionnaires in answer to requests for political jobs. Stark said during the campaign that he would expect persons employed by the state government to be efficient.

Questionnaires mailed to applicants are similar to those used by large corporations. Each one has space for answers concerning the applicant's age, the place of his birth, the names of his father and mother, the names of the schools he has attended and the extent of his education, his religious affiliation, the names of his previous employers and the length of time he was employed by each, whether he is now employed and if not, the reason for leaving his last employment, and his experience in lines of work which he thinks especially equips him for the job he wants.

Political observers said appointees will have to receive the endorsement of local Democratic committees but added the questionnaires indicated far more than endorsement would be required. Friends of the governor-elect said his move was typical of his attitude toward the job of governor and a "healthy sign" of the manner of administration he intends to give the state.

Stark's first two appointments also indicate a competent business-like administration. Although a leading Democratic organization strongly recommended Raymond T. Finks of Clinton for the position as adjutant general of the Missouri national guard, Stark disregarded it by asking members of the military council, composed of national guard unit commanding officers. who would be best fitted for the post. They recommended Major L. M. Means of the state highway patrol and Stark immediately announced Means had been chosen.

Likewise, the governor-elect has chosen for his private secretary J. D. James, a Joplin attorney who has been an active member of the state bar advisory committee which has instituted disbarment proceeding against unethical lawyers.

Politicians think also that O. H. Moberly the state finance commissioner, will be reappointed for another four-year term since he has been one of the Park administration's outstanding officials. Stark has refused to discuss patronage but indicated he would make few immediate changes in the state government personnel.

New Madrid CCC Camp Ranks First In District

The CCC drainage camp, at New Madrid is in the forefront of the central district of the U. S. bureau of agricultural engineering, which comprises thirty-six drainage camps in Missouri, Iowa, Illinois, Kentucky, Indiana, and Ohio. Fred R. Jacoby is the camp superintendent. The camp work area consists of New Madrid county and parts of Dunklin, Mississippi, and Stoddard counties.

On clearing work, the New Madrid camp ranked first in the last statistics available, those as of October 31, with 8,054,591 square yards. This was at a rate of 216 square yards per man day. This rate was the second highest in the district, an Illinois drainage camp, with mostly light clearing, having the highest rate per man day, 336. By December 1, the New Madrid camp had cleared a total of 8,419,612 square yards.

The camp is also near the top on excavation, having credit for 1,502,428 cubic yards, which was exceeded only by another Missouri camp, which had 1,536,432 cubic yards. In fact, the New Madrid camp was responsible for nearly one-third of the yardage of the combined six Missouri camps and one-tenth of the thirty-six camps in the district. And the six Missouri camps, located at New Madrid, Delta, Hayti, Canton, Rock Port, and Carrollton, produced about one-third of the total of 16,699,288 cubic yards reported up to October 31 in the district. On to December 1, the yardage for the New Madrid camp had amounted to 1,601,869 cubic yards.

A total of 44,244 man days have been expended in the work area by the New Madrid camp since the project work started in July, 1935. Of this number, 39,057 were spent on clearing, 1,846 on excavation, and 3,341 on various other types of work, such as pipe conduits, silt control structures, truck trails, bridges, razing or moving buildings and fences from right-of-way, constructing rip-rap, and surveying.

Court to Stop Discharge of Fireworks Downtown

Judge Brown Jewell announced Monday that all persons found shooting firecrackers in the business district or throwing firecrackers at people or automobiles wil be arrested and fined.

Judge Jewell told The Standard that although councilmen made the sale of fireworks here before Christmas, New Year's and July 4 legal by repealing ordinance 304, they failed to repeal ordinance 253, which states: "Any person in this city who shall willfully fire or explode any firecracker, sky rocket, roman candle, or other fireworks . . . without a permit from the mayor shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. The mayor is hereby authorized to grant such a permit on the first day of January, fourth day of July, twenty-fifth day of December, and on other public or national holidays or on the occasions of any public celebration, under such restrictions as in his judgment may tend to avoid fire, destruction of property, or injury to persons."

Judge Jewell said officers would not interfere with persons who shoot firecrackers in residential district if they do not molest passersby.

Lions Santa To Deliver Gifts to Front Porches

Form letters telling parents the Lions club Santa Claus will not visit their children unless the children remain on the porch of their own homes Christmas morning are being distributed this week in Dogtrot and Frisco, along Mill Row, and near the south grammar school and the cotton oil mill.

As usual, the Lions truckful of presents for negro boys and girls will be taken to the Sunset school, where presents will be distributed after a program is given, but this year, Lions' trucks going to the additions will not stop at corners where children ordinarily congregate.

The change in plans was made necessary because heretofore some children have received more than one toy and sack of candy and fruit and others none. The letter instructs parents to have children wait at home until they hear the trucks approach, then to walk to front porches, where Santa will deliver presents.

CHARGED WITH PEACE DISTURBANCE AT PARTY

A warrant charging Amos Blankenship with disturbing the peace of persons attending an entertainment at Richwoods Friday night was issued in Judge William S. Smith's court yesterday. Witnesses said Blankenship threw lighted firecrackers into the building during the program.

Constable W. O. Ellis took to the Benton jail yesterday Luther Hill and Johnny Johnson, negroes accused of burglary at Wallace's store. Hill is charged with stealing a pair of shoes Saturday night and Johnson with the theft of dresses from the store last Wednesday. Their hearings will be held in Judge Smith's court.

Mrs. Gordon Barks of Charleston will entertain this (Tuesday) evening with a dinner in compliment to Miss Florence Crisler. Miss Frances Burch, Miss Uriel Haw, Miss Daisy Evans and Mrs. Geraldine Young will attend the affair.

SHERIFF PREVENTS JAIL BREAK AT POPLAR BLUFF

The plan of Frank Bennett and Bones Lemons to effect a wholesale delivery at the Butler county jail in Poplar Bluff was frustrated at midnight Thursday by Sheriff Lester Massingham.

Three prisoners told Massingham Bennett and Lemons intended to shoot their way to freedom when fifteen jail inmates were taken outside the cell block for a trip to the state penitentiary. They planned to disconnect a light switch and then stampede the deputies.

A .32 caliber revolver was found in Bennett's cell but officers could find no other gun. Bennett told Massingham he had changed his mind about the break and had thrown his bullets down a sewer pipe. They were not recovered.

Bennett once served a term in the intermediate reformatory at Algoa farms. He is now under a two-year sentence for escaping from the Butler county jail and an additional three-year term for stealling an automobile. Lemons, 24, will serve a two-year term for breaking out of the county jail where he was placed as a burglary suspect.

The prisoners were taken to Jefferson City durin the night.

2 HOLIDAY DANCES WILL BE HELD AT THE CELLAR

Two popular orchestras will play at holiday dances at The Cellar in Charleston, George Merable announced yesterday.

On Christmas night, Hal King and his band, which played at The Cellar's successful Thanksgiving dance, will furnish music for dancers. Norman Ray and two women vocalists will be featured.

Woody Ryan's Southern Colonels are to play at a New Year's eve dance in The Cellar. Ryan will come to Charleston direct from an engagement in Dallas, Texas. Novelties will be given free to guests.

EBERT-KREADY XMAS PARTY

The Ebert-Kready missionary society met at the country home of Mrs. Arch Russell, Thursday afternoon and enjoyed a Christmas party and program, during which, gifts were exchanged by the members. The home was attractively decorated with Christmas greens and a lighted tree. Mrs. Kate Harris, co-hostess with Mrs. Russell, was unable to be present because of illness.

THEATER TO GIVE FREE MOVIE FOR CHILDREN

The Malone theater's Christmas present to children living in and near Sikeston will be nine reels of comedies and animated cartoons, to be shown at the theater at 10:30 Friday morning.

All boys and girls are invited to attend.

New Embalmer at Dempster's

Hubert Bivens of Hayti began working Monday as an embalmer and salesman at the Dempster Furniture and Undertaking Company. Mr. Bivens is a graduate of the Hohenschuh-Carpenter College of Embalming in St. Louis and was formerly employed by the Ray Undertaking Company in Hayti. He succeeds R. E. Patterson.

LIONS GET 800 ITEMS OF FOOD AT MOVIE

More than 800 items of staple and perishable food were given by children Saturday morning as admission to an annual movie sponsored by the Lions club in co-operation with the Malone theatre. At least 700 boys and girls attended the show.

The staples included all kinds of company and home canned fruits and vegetables, sweet and Irish potatoes, turnips, onions, canned milk, oranges, apples, sugar, salt, soup, cookies, dried prunes, beans, and peas, nuts, and breakfast foods.

E. F. Schorle and M. M. Beck, who had charge of the show and donations, distributed perishable foods last week-end. Staples will be divided equally among Sikeston churches for inclusion in Christmas baskets for the poor.

PARTY GIVEN FRIDAY FOR TELEPHONE CO. EMPLOYES

Women employes of the Southeast Missouri Telephone Company attended an annual Christmas party in their lounge room at the company's office on Front street Friday evening.

A handkerchief shower for Miss Marie Wilson, the evening chief operator here who began Monday to work as chief operator in the Kennett telephone office, was given in conjunction with the party.

Refreshments were served after those attending had exchanged gifts and played lotto.

Mrs. Orviline Simpson, formerly evening chief operator in the Sikeston office, will take Miss Wilson's place here temporarily.

CLUB TO GIVE DANCE FOR FOOTBALL PLAYERS, GRADS

The Red Peppers will entertain in the high school gymnasium Wednesday evening with a dance in honor of the football players. School alumni are being invited to attend as guests.

A popular orchestra of Cape Girardeau will play.

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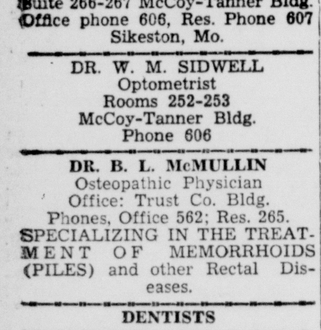

Jesse W. Barrett, late Republican candidate for Governor who claimed in a speech delivered in Sikeston that he would defeat Major Stark by over two hundred thousand votes, failed to accomplish the fact, now is much interested in Major Stark's appointments as Police Commissioners. Perhaps the Major will consult Barrett as to all major appointments and then perhaps not.

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It is interesting to see that the latest figure crowding the mourners' bench and making public profession of pentitence and sorrow is none other than our old friend, the National Association of Manufacturers. Welcome, brother; we hope your economic conversion is not subject to backsliding.

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The report of a wedding in a nearby city stated the bride wore a ratine crepe dress and carried accessories to match. It was not stated just what the accessories consisted of so each one can imagine in their minds eye just what she did carry and why she didn't have them on.

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LITTLE RIVER DRAINAGE DITCHES ARE CLEARED

Cape Girardeau, Mo., Dec. 21.—In a period of eighteen months virtually all of the ditches in the area included in the Little river drainage district have been cleared of willow growth in addition to the large amount of work done in the district under excavation contract. During this past year alone 457.37 miles of ditches have been placed under contract for clearing out willows and other tree growth and contracts also have been awarded for 100 miles of ditches in which the excavation amounted to 482,000 cubic yards.

In September a contract was let for the widening of Ditch 1 involving 758,000 cubic yards of excavation, and in October, another contract was let for widening Ditch 24, from its mouth for several miles north, and one for Ditch 1 north of Ditch 24 for several miles. There will be a minimum of 200,000 cubic yards of excavation in this project.

The maintenance work of the system has been divided into three classes, the headwater system, the lower, or main district, and the west extension. All of this work has called for a liberal expenditure of funds, but drainage district officials feel that the service rendered to the landowners of Southeast Missouri in increased drainage facilities will many times offset the expense.

The comprehensive plan of rehabilitation, which, when completed, will see the drainage district's ditches restored nearly to original capacity for usefulness, has been dependent upon the response of landowners in meeting their drainage assesments promptly, drainage officials said. The response from many has been satisfactory, but back assessments are yet due on many lands.

Approximately 800 suits have been filed in the circuit courts of the seven counties in which the benefited land is located, by the drainage officials seeking to enforce the collection of the taxes in order that the program might go ahead and not be hampered and the great amount of beneficial work already done might be no less effective because of failure to complete the program. Some of these drainage assessments are still unpaid for the years of 1934 and prior, and other suits were filed on the assessments which became delinquent in 1935.

In past months the drainage district has acquired considerable land in the seven counties of the area. Much of this land has been resold to farmers and others interested in development of the fertile area. The district plans to dispose of all of this land to any person interested in purchasing it.

During the coming year, as during the past year, drainage officials will stress the importance of keeping the drainage ditches open, asking that farmers or their tenants do not place such structures in these ditches which will tend to cause them to become blocked and fill up. In recent years, the cost of the maintenance program has been increased, it was explained, by so many fences and like structures being placed in the ditches and causing them to fill up, thus necessitating an expensive cleaning out process.

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MISSOURI HISTORY

Courtesy Missouri Historical Society

Death of Payton R. Hayden

In a day when Missouri was widely known for the number of its distinguished lawyers, Payton R. Hayden, pioneer lawyer of Boonville and the first attorney admitted to the practice of law in Cooper county, is acknowledged without exception by historians of the Missouri bar to have been one of the ablest lawyers in the State. Among his contemporaries with whom he regularly rode the circuit of Cooper county courts and by whom he was held in high esteem, personally and professionally, were Hamilton R. Gamble, later governor of Missouri, Abiel Leonard, George Tompkins, Cyrus Edward, Andrew McGirk, John F. Ryland, all future judges of the Missouri Supreme Court, and Duff Green, Missouri lawyer who became nationally prominent as a newspaper editor and writer.

Hayden, like many of his legal contemperaries, attained a position in the foremost ranks of the Missouri bar through the diligent applications of his own efforts. Unlike many of them, however, he never corrected the limitations of common school education, not even, so it is said, by the reading of a newspaper. Notwithstanding this shortcoming, which at times made him an amusing victim of his friends and of the court as a result of his imperfect knowledge of geographical, historical and classical subjects, Hayden stood high in the personal and professional esteem of his comtemporaries. Few, if any, excelled him in the knowledge of the law and Hayden's Digest, as Hayden called it, which was his own synopsis of every case in which he was retained with citations of all the authorities upon which he relied, was known and respected from the highest to the lowest court in Missouri.

Hayden was born near Paris, Kentucky, on February 8, 1796. At the early age of fifteen years he entered the law office of Judge Benjamin Mills, a prominent lawyear of northern Kentucky. Here he faithfully pursued his studies until he was twenty-one when he moved to Franklin in Howard county, Missouri, which place at that time was considered the most desirable in the territory for the practice of law. Before securing his license and entering upon the practice of law, he taught school for a year at Franklin where he numbered among his young pupils the celebrated Kit Carson.

In the spring of 1819, Hayden journeyed on horseback to St. Louis to procure a license to practice law from the State Supreme Court. On his return he stopped at St. Charles where he met Abiel Loonard, recently arrived in the territory from New York. The future distinguished lawyer, who was then but twenty-two, is said to have brought all his worldly goods with him tied in a handkerchief at the end of a stick. After talking with Hayden, Leonard decided to accompany him back to Franklin where, a week later, Hayden secured for him his first case. Later, the two were to become leaders of the Missouri bar and to be on opposite sides in almost every importent case. The characteristic gesture of friendship and kindliness on the part of Hayden for the young and untried lawyer, Leonard, not only won for him the life-long friendship of Leonard but was expressive of a characteristic which in later life warmly attached to him the younger member of the bar.

The same year that he secured his license to practice law, Hayden married a sister of Judge Washington Adams and established himself at Boonville where he continued to reside until his death. Cooper county, at the time, embraced a large territory extending from the Osage river on the east and south to the territorial line on the west of which the population was approximately 7,000. Over this extensive region Hayden traveled on horseback in company with his fellow lawyers among whom he is said to have been the life of the party on long and weary journeys during which his geneality, his kindliness and his ready humor and repartee helped to break the monotony of constant traveling.

In the practice of law, Hayden was noted for the energy and zeal with which he advocated the cases of his clients. The repeated appearance of his name in the early volumes of the Supreme Court reports indicate the frequency with which he was demanded as counsel by one or the other side in important legal cases. Had he been a financier, he might, in the opinion of Bay, have accumulated a large fortune. Instead, he seems to have had little knowledge of the importance of money, to have been imposed upon by appeals for charity, to have charged small fees and frequently to have failed to collect. Before the court he was a strong, vigorous and argumentative speaker, who, though he he never indulged in fights of oratory, seldom failed to impress a jury.

When Mr. Hayden died at his home in Boonville on December 26, 1855, the Supreme court of Missouri passed a resolution to wear mourning for thirty days.

DILLMAN TO WRESTLE McEUIN WEDNESDAY

After a long absence, Joe Dillman will return to the Sikeston arena Wednesday night. Dillman will meet Billy McEuin in the main event of the Legion's card.

In the preliminary, Chief Little Wolf, the Yakima Indian who defeated Jack Barnett here two weeks ago, will wrestle Joe Kirk, a 170-pounder from Milwaukee.

The Hayti Jolly Boys' string band will entertain fans between the falls.

ONE MOMENT PLEASE

By Fay Kerr

Recently the District of Columbia School Board barred out of the Washington public schools the weekly Scholastic for advocating a policy it stated in these words; "We Will not accept conscription of our bodies for the army and navy without an equally complete conscription of the capital and profits of industry."

One member of the School Board declared in scandalized tones; "Why, such an attitude is the next thing to Communism," and out went the magazine from the schools of the capital.

If I have a son old enough to be conscripted during a war, I have invested in him many dollars. If he has a University education it has cost me from five to ten thousand dollars. The upkeep of a child from his birth to the age of twenty-one will cost from one hundred to one thousand dollars per year. Food, clothing, doctor's and dentists's bills, are not mean items to the family in moderate circumstances. I think a conservative estimate of the cash value of a University graduate would be fifteen or twenty thousand dollars. This only takes into account the sum spent by the parents. The school taxes paid by society and other factors contributing to the support of the institutions from which he graduated are extra. Without reliable statistics I could not estimate the total cost of graduating an individual.

I not only have much money invested in my son but twenty-one years of loving care that should be worth something. The hours of labor—watchful nursing during illness, anxiety and concern for his general welfare, hours of teaching and admonition—can not be estimated unless you multiply twenty-four hours a day by the number of days of his life. Any mother will tell you that the price of her boy is her own heart. Huge sums are collected each year by individuals suing for "heart-balm." How much is a human heart worth?

Yes, if I had a bank account of twenty thousand dollars and a son old enough to go to war and had to choose between them I would say take the money. I can't imagine any parent hesitating.

If it is Communism to believe that boys lives more valuable than dollars then I am a Communist. If a government has the right to take my boy, whom I love and in whom I have so much money and labor invested, and send him to war, the same government has the right to take your money, your factory, or any product in your possession. I am strong for the conscription of property and capital. When they who have money are in danger of losing their possessions because of war there will be some real effort made to keep peace. When everybody thinks peace, talks peace, and lives for peace there will be no war agitation—and war is a result of agitation. When nobody can gain anything by war there will be no war.

The high authorities of both army and navy have announced they are ready to introduce a bill giving the Government power, in time of war, to draft industrial executives, commandeer factories, fix prices, establish rationing and regulate the sale, use, transportation or manufacture of any product. It is a bill for the conscription of capital. I hope is introduced and passes.

I believe the passage of such a bill would make for peace. If we should be invaded and be forced to defend ourselves everything we have—life and property—could be used in the emergency.

It is inconsistent to say you have a right to take my son but my purse is sacred.

AGREES WITH EDITOR ABOUT MYERS ARTICLE

Editor Standard:

It seems peculiar, that some people are so narrow as to think that if Sikeston would repeal it's anti-gambling ordinance that it would nullify the state law. It is too bad we are so poorly represented. Anyway, the "slots" gave the drays a job and moved out of town.

As to judge Myers' article, you were no more surprised than some of the rest of us. Past of my education must have been neglected for I was led to believe that it was a judge's duty to expound the laws and see that they were applied.

However, when I get to thinking of what nation of law-breakers we have become and that I am one of the moral cowards that stood idly by and let this country get into the "heck" of a mess it is, just on account of the lack of application of the Law of God, nation, state, and municipality, I am heartily ashamed and proud that we have a Junior Chamber of Commerce composed of young real "he men" who take a stand for the general uplift, and I would be the last man to try to throw a "monkey wrench in their machinery".

Even our fashionable rabble of notoriety chasers who got their faces gently slapped for their corrupt influence abroad by the Bishop of Canterbury—and he did it in defense of the constitution of Great Britain, the rules of the Church of England backed by the Biblical law—are trying to besmear him.

As usual, when you step on the devil he squeals about his injured inocense and encroachment on his personal liberty.

We should all be thankful for the Junior Chamber of Commerce, the Kiwanis Club, and the ministers and their folks who entered the protest.

Never mind the "gnat" and the "camel", judge! Just don't try to make a "mountain out of a mole hill".—J. A. O'Hara.

A rooster of Ralleyville, Va., recently laid a dozen eggs, five of which hatched. The fowl was taken to laboratories of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, where various egg-laying diets were administered. But to no avail. A dozen eggs is apparently enough for any rooster to lay. The chicken was shipped back to its owner, E. E. Harrison.

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It looks as though this Christmas will be a frigid one, aver these charming Santyettes from Hollywood. In a preview of what the holiday season has to offer good girls, Phyllis Moore, Helen McDonald and Jean Lewis found Kris Kringle had deposited a brand new Frigidaire in front of their fireplace. The girls are in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's "After the Thin Man."

Personal and Society News From Morley

(From last week)

Rev. Charley Miller of Fort Worth, Tex., was a visitor at the C. A. Stallings home Thursday evening while en route from his home to Lutesville to visit his father, who was seriously ill. Rev. Miller was pastor of the Baptist church here in 1930-31.

Mrs. Rex Boyce and daughter, Jane, Mrs. C. D. Cummins and two daughters, Mavourun and June and Mrs. Harris Foster of Cape Girardeau spent Saturday shopping in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. George Yount and children visited Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Yount's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wright near Essex.

Mr. and Mrs. Clint Bugg were in St. Louis over the week end.

Mesdames Guy Vanduser and Charles Pruitt of Independence, Kansas came Tuesday for Mr. and Mrs. George Jacabs parents of the former, who will spend the holidays in Kansas.

Mr. Roy Landerdale of St. Louis came down Saturday to visit his sister, Mrs. L. W. Reville, and among friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Cline Schatz and family moved to Oran Monday.

The Senior play "Full of Youth" under the direction of Miss Cecile Cassiday is to be given at the High School Gymnasium Thursday night, December 17.

Mr. J. E. Smith made a business trip to Malden Monday.

Mrs. J. W. Mull left Tuesday for St. Louis to spend several weeks with her sons, Will and Dan Mull and daughter, Mrs. Amanda Harrison.

A crew of more than 20 men have been clearing land in the North Cut Cypress the past two days under the direction of Forrest Watson.

A Xmas program will be presented at the Baptist church Wednesday evening, December 23.

Mrs. Eugenia Tomlinson came down from Oran Friday to spent the day at the C. A. Stallings home.

Jimmy, the 13 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Howle May, was painfully injured Saturday evening when he caught a ride on a truck which was leaving town. The truck increased speed so quickly, Jimmy was afraid to let loose his hold and was dragged the length of the spur, when the truck stopped at the intersection of Highway 61. His knees had deep holes cut in them and the toes of his shoes were worn through. Anti-tetanus serum was administered Monday. The driver was unaware of the boy's plight.

Jackie and Sue Finney returned home Sunday evening from a week end visit with their paternal grandmother in Cape Girardeau.

Mr. Ernest Graves of Pocatello, Idaho, arrived Friday for a visit with his sister, Mrs. Alford Bryant. Mr. Graves was en route to his home from a trip to New York.

Curtis Livingston, a colored man farming with Mr. Charley Diamond on the old Benton road, lost his household goods by fire when a lamp exploded Thursday morning.

The W. M. S. of the Methodist church held their monthly program meeting with Mrs. C. F. Porter Thursday. Mrs. Marion Murphy served as leader. A plate lunch was served by the hostess at the conclusion.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Vaughn and Mrs. Forrest Watson were Cape Girardeau business visitors Monday.

A double-header basketball game with Benton Tuesday night resulted in a victory for Morley girls 30 to 20, while Benton boys won with a score of 18 to 6.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Vaughn and children spent Sunday at Portageville with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jones and daughter.

Personal and Society News From Oran

(From last week)

Miss Louanna Fulenwider spent the week end with Miss Veda Harley in Perkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Bujeans were Sunday afternoon visitors in Sikeston.

Mrs. Hannah Sillman of St. Louis has been visited at the Chas. Carter home the past three weeks.

Mrs. Harold Mercer and Mrs. Dolph Sikes were Cape Girardeau visitors Tuesday of last week.

Mrs. M. W. Roger of Cape Girardeau visited friends here last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Whitledge of Cape Girardeau were Sunday afternoon visitors at the Dr. Winters home.

Mrs. Clemson expects to spend the Christmas holidays in Tuscalvosa, Ala., at the Duckworth home.

Mesdames Tom Baty, Luther Cook and Flora Tindall were business visitors in Sikeston Wednesday.

Mrs. Clyde Poe and Mrs. Tom Baty attended the Democratic club meeting in Benton Saturday.

Miss Ethel Beward is home from a two week's visit in Michigan.

Mrs. Jack Johnson and Mrs. Arthur of Sikeston were guests at the Jennings home Tuesday of last week.

Mrs. Bob Wade is a medical patient in a Cape Girardeau hospital.

J. A. Sites was a business visitor in St. Louis last week.

John Gosche has a new Chevrolet.

Jack Maddox is home from Memphis where he has been employed.

Mr. and Mrs. Sikes spent Wednesday of last week at the Tony Gosche home in Camey helping hitcher.

Mrs. Albert Soehlig and son Floyd are home from a several days visit in Osceola, Ark., at the Otto Davenport home.

Mr. Hanselman has had his house painted recently.

Albert Soehlig has had his house wired for electric lights and a new radio installed.

Mrs. Alma McBride visited in Cape Girardeau a couple of days recently.

Orville Elsperman and family were here from Sikeston recently.

Mrs. Lillian Barnett is home from Michigan, called here by the illness of her mother, Mrs. Brann who has been a surgical patient in a Cape Girardeau hospital the past three weeks.

Messrs George and Arnold Stehr killed hogs Monday.

Miss Marie Myers was operated on Wednesday of last week in Barnes hospital in St. Louis for appendicitis. She is improving nicely.

Little Joan Dunning celebrated her fourth birthday, December 8th at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Oliver. Nine little folks were present and had a fine time. A special number Mickey Mouse Birthday party was sung for the the little folks over station KFVS.

ENGINEER RETURNS TO NEW MADRID CCC CAMP

C. H. Torreyson, research engineer for the U. B. bureau of agricultural engineering, has returned to his headquarters at the CCC camp at New Madrid.

For the past month and a half he has been working with the drainage camps in Kentucky and southern Indiana, where he has been establishing the bureau's research program, the study of the flow of water in drainage ditches.

Joe: "Wouldn't your mother be terribly angry with you if she saw you in those shorts?"

Josie: "I expect she would. They're hers."

Personal and Society News from Pleasant Valley

(From last week)

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Larcom had as their guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Ramsey and children.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Boardman had as their guests over the week end their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Hughes Blake and daughter, Carolyn and Mr. John Baer of Granite City, Ill.

Misses Vera Shelton and Lillie Allen spent Thursday night with Miss Myrtle Jones of near Dogwood.

Miss Vera Shelton, Vernon Shelton and Raymond Dame spent the week end with relatives and friends near Steele.

Junior Cox and Mary Williams ate supper at the Dame home Friday night.

Clyde Dame is leaving for Michigan, Monday night where he is employed.

Raymond Allen and Junior Larcom spent Sunday with Robert and Ogle Miller.

James Larcom spent Sunday with Opal Miller.

Luther Stanfill spent Sunday with Gale Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Stanfill had as their guests Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Allen and children Anna and Juanita, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McElyea and family of Campbell.

Miss Ruby and Jack Tanner visited Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Boardman and family Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Williams had as their guests Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Wallace and son, John Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Rolley Riley and family, Mrs. Fern McCain, Mrs. Eunice Williams, Mr. and Mrs. John Williams and children Wanda Marie and Charles Wesley and Monteen McCann.

Sherman Ramsey returned home after a couple weeks ramble to Dalas and Ft. Worth Tex., and Kansas City, Mo.

Well it will soon be moving day for quite a number of people through this section.

The Pleasant Valley folks wish all the good old Standard readers a very Merry Christmas.

The biggest rush of cruiser construction in the United States Navy's history has reached its peak of activity bringing employment at the different Navy Yards throughout the country to record peace time highs.

1937 AAA PROGRAM TO BE LIKE THIS YEAR'S

The new 1937 AAA agricultural conservation program, which was worked out after meetings of farmers in all parts of the country, has just been announced, according to Carl O. Luper, chairman of the Scott County Agricultural Conservation Association.

"A better balanced and more profitable system of farming," he says, "is the goal of the new program. It seeks to encourage the planting of crops and the use of practices that will maintain and restore productivity. Through the AAA program, the government is offering to share with farmers the expense of conserving and improving their own and the nation's soil resources.

"The growing crops has a secondary result in tending to maintain farm income by encouraging the shifting of lands that have been devoted to the production of surplus crops for which foreign markets are lacking. These surplus crops were hit hardest by low prices during the depression.

"The general outlines of the 1937 program are like the 1936 program, with changes, recommended by farmers, designed to meet changed conditions. Payments will be made to farmers who meet specified conditions for shifting up to 15 per cent of the acreage in their soil depleting bases from soil depleting to soil conserving uses, and for carrying out approved practices. The soil-depleting base for each participating farm will be the starting point for measuring payments.

"Because of the sidespread destruction by drought of established stands and new seedings of soil-conserving crops, the program is designed to encourage increases in soil-conserving crops and permits the planting of emergency pasture and hay crops to take the place of seedings destroyed by the drought in 1936. Farmers whose soil-conserving crops were entirely destroyed will have opportunity to qualify for full payment by matching acres shifted from soil depleting use with new seedings of soil-conserving crops.

"The proportion of total payments which may be earned in 1937 through practices which maintain and restore productivity will be greater than in 1936 on farms which normally have a large percentage of crop land devoted to soil-conserving uses, on farms where the production of fruit or vegetables is the major enterprise, and on dry land farms in the western part of the north central region.

"Corn acreage limits will be established for individual farms in areas where corn for grain is a major crop. The corn acreage limit will conform to good conservation practices and, on the average, will be slightly less than the 1936 planted acreage of corn.

"The range program, which applied only to the western region in 1936, has been extended to include range lands in the western part of the north central region."

WILBUR ENSOR CHOSEN DISTRICT SCOUT CHAIRMAN

Wilbur Ensor was elected chairman of the Sikeston Scout district at a dinner meeting of Scouters at the Marshall hotel Thursday night.

Mr. Ensor, who succeeds Clay A. Mitchell, has for long been prominent in Scouting activities and at the time of his election was serving as district commissioner.

Scouters also chose Robert Dempster district finance chairman to succeed C. C. Scott, and elected Tharon Stallings commissioner.

More than thirty persons attended the meeting, including representatives of Sikeston civic organizations. C. G. Morrison of Cape Girardeau, Scout executive of the Southeast Missouri area council, and Mr. Scott gave annual reports, and short talks were made by George W. Kirk, president of the area council, and by Arnold Roth of Cape Girardeau, who has charge of the American Legion's Scouting activities in the old fourteenth congressional district.

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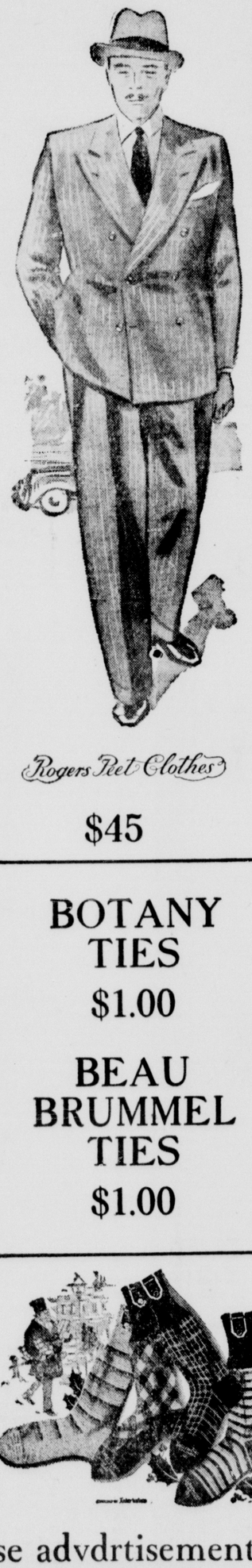

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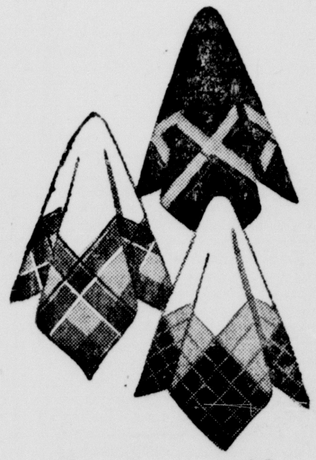

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Rabhor Robes
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$1.95 to $3.95

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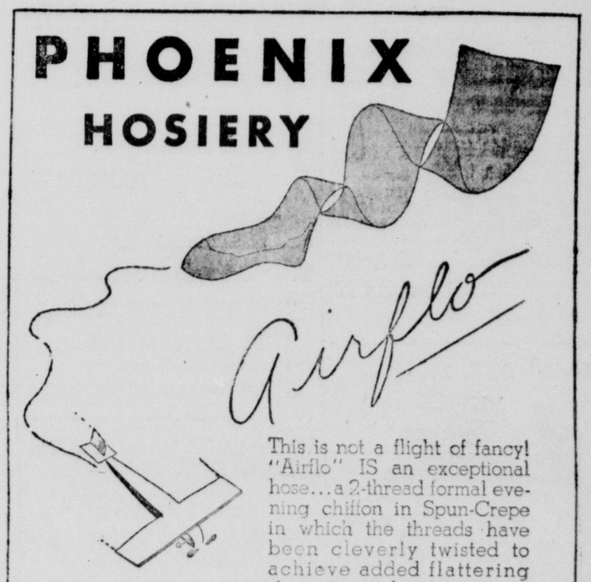

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Especially desirable is the improved Custom Fit Top.

Lovely to look at...both as to color and texture. Be sure to see the exciting new Fall shades so adaptable to your autumn ensembles.

$1.15

DEAR SANTA

December 18, 1936

Dear Santa Claus:

I will write you what I want for Christmas. I am in the 4th grade. I am a good girl. My teacher's name is Mrs. Janes W. Berry. We are all in a program. I want a doll and a pocket book and a parnite.

Your friend,
Edith Irene Gray.
Route 2, Oran, Mo.

Oran, Mo.
December 21, 1936

Dear Santa Claus:

I am going to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a B-B gun a coster wagon and a ball. I am nine years old and am in the third grade. I try to be good. Please don't forget other little boys and girls.

Your little friend,
Walie Eugene Gray.

Oran, Mo.
December 21, 1936

Dear Sana Claus:

I am writing you a few lines to let you know I am going to school everyday. My teacher's name is Eula Smith.

Santa I am 6 years old. I am a good girl. I am in the first grade. I want a big baby doll and a ball set of dishes. Don't forget Mama.

Your friend,
Esther Gray.

Sikeston, Mo.
December 3, 1936

Dear Santa:

I have been a good little girl and I hope you will remember me Christmas. I want a doll, some blocks and some candy, oranges and apples.

Lovingly,
Ruth Orr.

Sikeson, Mo.
December 3, 1936

Dear Santa:

I want a bicycle and a cash register and a gun and some candy, some oranges, and some nuts. I have two little nephews don't forget them. I am a good little boy. My age is 7. Bring Mother and Father something too.

Your little boy,
C. D. Alcorn.

Sikeston, Mo.
December 16, 1936

Dear Santa Claus:

I saw you up town but there was so many kids hanging onto you I didn't get a chance to tell you so will write you a letter. I want a doll a new dress a pair of white gloves and some candy. My brothers Phil and Bob fight so much it will be ok if you just skip them but Roy is a good kid don't forget him and please Santa bring Bro. Oglesby, Mrs. Mouser, Miss Welter and Father Woods all something real nice. Santa Claus I live on Baker Lane.

Your friend,
Betty Waldman.

MALONE THEATRE

Sikeston, Missouri

Everything for your entertainment and comfort.

LAST SHOWING!

MONDAY, DEC. 21—

"Banjo On My Knee"

With Barbara Stanwyck and Joel McCrea.

Paramount News.

Comedy and Specialty.

TUESDAY, DEC. 22—

"Mad Holiday"

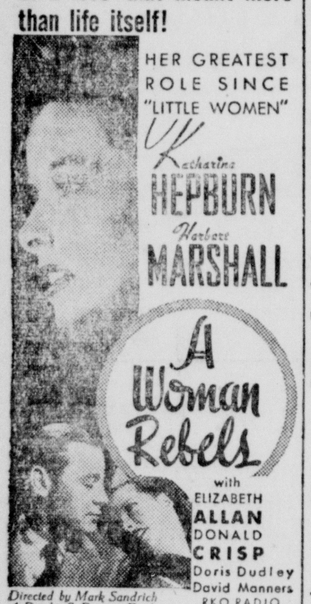
With Edward Everett Horton.

Comedy.

Pictorial and Specialty.

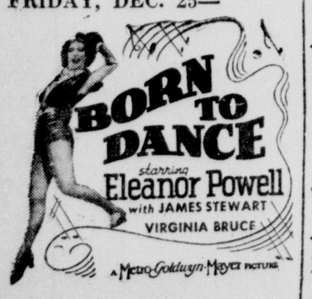
WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, DEC. 23-24—

The heart-storming drama of a love that meant more than life itself!



Comedy, "Oklahoma As Is"
Musical.

FRIDAY, DEC. 25—



Paramount News.
"Mickey's Circus".
Comedy "Pay As You Exit".

There will be no Pal Night Friday, Dec. 25—

REX THEATRE

Sikeston, Mo.

LAST SHOWING!

MONDAY, DEC. 21—

"Easy To Take"

With Marsha Hunt and John Howard.
Comedy "Slum Fun".

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22-23-24—

Pal Nights

2 adults admitted for the price of one. All children 10c.

"North of Nome"

With Jack Holt and Evelyn Venable.
Comedy "Having Fun"

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, DEC. 25-26—

KEN MAYNARD

in

"Fugitive Sheriff"

Comedy.
Serial "Fighting Marine" —No. 6.

American Theatre

Charleston, Missouri

LAST SHOWING

MONDAY, DEC. 21—

"BORN TO DANCE"

Comedy.

TUESDAY, DEC. 22—

"UNDER YOUR SPELL"

With Lawrence Tibbett.
Paramount News.
Comedy.

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, DEC. 23-24—

"WHITE HUNTER"

With Warner Boxter and June Lang.
Comedy.

FRIDAY, DEC. 25—

BING CROSBY
in
"PENNIES FROM HEAVEN"

There will be no Pal Night Friday.

CONFIDENCE GAME VICTIMS INCREASE; TWO MORE FLEECED

Fred Woodall, 27-year-old farmer residing near Holcomb, and James Webb, Bragg City youth, are the most recent victims of "Mr. Bird," smooth-talking confidence man who is believed to be the same person who worked the "old army game" at New Madrid last week.

The mysterious Mr. Bird arrived in Kennett last Sunday night and got acquainted with Webb at a tavern. The following Tuesday afternoon, Bird and Webb drove to Holcomb where they met Woodall.

Bird brought the two boys back to Kennett and asked them if they wished to double their money. He had a secret solution that, if applied to money, would increase its value, he told them.

Woodall put $190 into Mr. Bird's money-making machine constructed of crude lumber and fashioned after a washing machine roller. Webb put $15 in the device.

Bird then informed the boys that new one dollar bills would work better and suggested that he and Webb drive to Kennett for some new money. They departed and left Woodall to guard the homemade mint.

After a few hours, Woodall grew suspicious and examined the money-maker. It was found to contain several blank slips of paper, Webb was arrested in Kennett after Prosecuting Attorney Elbert Ford indicated he would file charges of obtaining money under false pretenses against the youth.

Mr. Bird left Webb in Kennett and drove away in a gray-colored V-8 Ford coach bearing an Arkansas license.

Trooper Pete Scott recovered the money-maker and also paper which bears the imprint of a five dollar bill.—Poplar Bluff Daily American Republic.

CRITES POULTRY FLOCK RANKS FIRST IN COUNTY

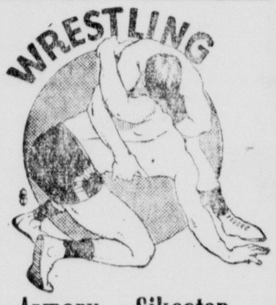
The T. S. Crites poultry flock ranked first among the Scott county poultry record keepers. This flock of white leghorn pullets produced an average of eighteen eggs per bird during November, and at a cost of about 15 cents per dozen eggs. Other flocks have not produced as heavily and showed a loss for the month.

It will probably be two months before chicks will be hatched or purchased, however, it is time now to select wisely the source of next year's flock. Chicks from flocks in which the hens have been carefully selceted on the basis of vigor, egg production, and mated with a pedigreed rooster, cost but very little more than chicks from unknown origin.

It is also important that chicks come from flocks that have been blood tested for pullorium disease. Strong healthy chicks, together with proper feed and good management, are prerequisites for a profitable poultry flock.

Roger Bailey returned Friday night from Little Rock, Ark., where he went Tuesday on business.

Mrs. L. R. Kingsland, who has been receiving medical attention in Hot Springs, Ark., since Thanksgiving, will go to St. Louis for the Christmas holidays.



Armory—Sikeston
Wednesday, Dec. 23
At 8:15 P. M.

JOE DILLMAN
Greece—Wt. 194 lbs.
vs.
BILLY McEUIN
Laredo—Wt. 187 lbs.

CHIEF LITTLE WOLF
Tacoma—Wt. 170 lbs.
vs.
JOE KIRK
Milwaukee—Wt. 170 lbs.
Both matches 90 min. time.
Best 2 out 3 falls.

Hayti Jolly Boys String Band will entertain between falls.

Mike Meroney, Referee

FRED P. CROSS SUCCUMBS AFTER THREE-DAY ILLNESS

Fred P. Cross died in a McComb, Miss., hospital Thursday afternoon following a three-day ilness seven physicians were unable to diagnose.

Relatives said Mr. Cross rose Tuesday morning and lit a cigarette. After smoking it, however, he lay down again. Mrs. Cross asked if he were ill: "Everything is getting dark," he told her.

Mr. Cross did not speak again. When he lost consciousness soon afterward, Mrs. Cross took him to a nearby hospital, where he was given numerous tests. His reaction to each was negative. He succumbed at 3:30.

After brief funeral services at the First Baptist church in McComb Friday morning, Mr. Cross' body was sent here. Friends accompanied Mrs. Cross and her son, Fred P. Cross, Jr., to Sikeston, arriving at 2:34 o'clock Saturday morning.

Funeral services were held at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Cross' uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Mocabee, 222 West Gladys street. The Rev. Verne F. Oglesby, pastor of the Baptist church here, preached. Burial was in the city cemetery.

Mr. Cross was born at Whiteville, Tenn., on July 22, 1894. He came here in 1914 to work in the clothing department of the Farmers' Supply Company, then managed by A. Ray Smith, and on September 19, 1916, he was married to Miss Bess Johnson, a daughter of Claude Johnson. A year later, he and Mrs. Cross moved to Caruthersville, where they resided for three years. They had been residents of McComb for the last sixteen years. Mr. Cross was a certified public accountant.

Mr. Cross' father died fourteen years ago, and his mother succumbed when he was 14 years old. Besides his wife and son, he is survived by two sisters, Mrs. J. B. Bennett of Los Angeles and Mrs. Georgia Pennington of Jacksonville, Fla. Albritton service.

60,000 TO WORK SINCE BEER WAS LEGALIZED

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.—Approximately 60,000 persons whose annual wages totaled $107,000,000 have been added directly to the payrolls of the breweries of the United States since real beer was legalized in 1933.

Data compiled by the bureau of labor statistics, United States department of labor, show that employment in the brewing industry had increased 353 per cent and payrolls had increased 521 per cent in August, 1936, as compared with February, 1933.

Applying these percentages to its data on the brewing industry, the National Institute of Manufacturers and Distributors, Inc., finds that they represent 60,000 additional employees and $107,000,000 increase in annual payrolls.

The total employment in the 700 breweries operating in August, 1936, was 76,700 persons whose wages on an annual basis would total $127,300,000. In February, 1933, there were only 164 breweries, which were manufacturing near beer, with about 17,000 employees and an annual payroll of approximately $20,500,000.

The effect of the legalization of real beer on the unemployment situation, however, is not completely indicated by these data, for the increased employment in the distribution of beer is not included. Wholesale distributors of beer in August, 1936, were giving employment to more than 46,000 persons whose annual wages totaled about $64,000,000. In addition retail distributors employ approximately 350,000 persons and it is estimated that about 150,000 persons have been given employment in manufacturing and merchandising supplies and equipment for brewers and their distributors.

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When You Need a Laxative

Thousands of men and women know how wise it is to take Black-Draught at the first sign of constipation. They like the refreshing relief it brings. They know its timely use may save them from feeling badly and possibly losing time at work from sickness brought on by constipation.

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December 21-22

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LLOYD W. KING PRAISES SIKESTON SCHOOL SYSTEM

Praise for the Sikeston public school system is contained in a letter Lloyd W. King, state superintendent of schools, wrote R. E. Bailey after H. B. Masterson of Hayti, a high school supervisor, had inspected the schools. Mr. Bailey is secretary of the board of education.

In his letter Mr. King commended Sikeston particularly for its "well-trained administrative and teaching personnel", for work done in the opportunity room for the proper organization of the system and the satisfactory distribution of pupils, and for the high school curriculum. The high school is being rated again as first class with thirty-seven and a fourth units of work approved.

Mr. King also congratulated the board on the construction of the new Ralph E. Bailey grammar school and on redecoration work done in other buildings under a WPA project. His letter, which was based on Mr. Masterson's observations before students occupied the new building, is printed below.

"We have the report of Mr. H. B. Masterson, high school supervisor, who had the pleasure of visiting your school recently. We are pleased to continue it on the first-class list with thirty-seven and one-fourth units of high school work approved.

"The organization of your school is proper, the distribution of pupils enrolled very satisfactory considering your present crowded condition and a logical program of studies is being offered. Our report shows that courses in speech, art, commercial law, and French II have been added to the high school curriculum this year.

"We congratulate you on your splendid new elementary school building which will presently be completed and put into use. This new unit is a very logical addition to your school facilities, will relieve your crowded condition, and doubtless contribute to the effectiveness of your educational program. You are to be commended for the redecorating which has been done at the white elementary and colored school buildings. The work being done in the opportunity room in the white elementary school is of a superior quality.

"We commend you for employing a well-trained administrative and teaching personnel. There is evidence that some effective work is being done in all departments of your school system. We are in full accord with your efforts to secure administrators with superior training.

"We are approving the junior high school organization of the colored school and the units of work being done in this department this year.

"The supervisor conferred with the proper authorities regarding the organization of the school system in view of the fact that the new elementary unit will soon be put into use. Other relevant matters were also discussed.

"We are sure you will continue to approve a budget which will provide the needs for all departments of your school system. When we may be of service to your district, please inform us."

AUDIENCE PLEASED WITH FRAZER-JAMES DANCERS

A small, enthusiastic audience was delighted Wednesday night with the performance of the Frazer-James dance group given in the high school auditorium.

Persons attending found the dances of Paul James and his two women assistants varied, graceful, and finished and the piano playing of Arthur Frazer expert.

The evening performance was sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce. A matinee was given for school children.

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CAVERNO CHATS WITH AGRICULTURE SECRETARY

Photographs in Saturday editions of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch and the St. Louis Star-Times showed Xenophon Caxerno of Canalou talking intimately with Henry Wallace, secretary of agriculture, at the first conference in Washington of a committee on farm tenancy. President Roosevelt recently appointed Judge Caverno to the group.

A plan to aid Texas tenants announced last week-end included thirty-year loans at low interest rates; 150-acre limit on farm and $10,000 limit on investment with preference to small farms; "fair" down payment required; two-year lease before purchase; selection of "higher bracket" tenants by local committees; co-operative marketing; and provisions to guard against making rural regions "dumping places for failures from cities".

Plans for all states in which the sharecropper-tenant system is used will be perfected by the tenancy committee.

SUBSTITUTE FOR QUININE DISCOVERED IN RUSSIA

Moscow, Dec. 18.—Scientists of the Soviet Union report that production of akrikhin, which in clinical properties "replaces and is even superior to quinine," will jump to 45 tons next year.

Soviet scientists, who found the compound, say the amount of akrikhin required for treatment of malarial patients is six to seven times less than that of quinine. Hence, the 45 tons should equal 260 ton of quinine.

The first lot of akrikhin was very small with the plant expected to produce six tons by the end of 1936.

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MISS MAYME JEAN WILBUR IS WED TO ELMER POAGE

Christmas decorations were used extensively in the Methodist church for the marriage at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon of Miss Mayme Jean Wilbur, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Wilbur, to Elmer Bruton Poage. Mr. Poage is a son of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Poage.

Untrimmed evergreens of gradating heights stood at the front part of the chancel, and on the walls behind the choir stall were hung Christmas wreaths joined with festoons of balsam fir. Two large baskets of poinsettas sat on the organ.

On each side of the platform was a tall candelabrum wrapped with green tissue paper. Another stood at the left side of the platfrom, and along the church's two central aisles were candelabra, also trimmed in green. All held gold tapers. Bows of green tissue paper were tied at the ends of pews along the aisles.

W. B. Malone, Jr., played "Moonlight and Roses" while the guests were assembling, and as Miss Ruth Hollingsworth and Miss Gwendolyn Kirk lighted the tapers, he played "Indian Love Call". Miss Hollingsworth and Miss Kirk were dressed alike in gold taffeta blouses, black taffeta floor-length skirts, and gold sandals and wore corsages of gold chrysanthemums and ferns.

Before members of the bridal party appeared, Miss Virginia Mills of Malden, dressed in a gown of green velvet and wearing a corsage of gold chrysanthemums, sang "My Heart at Thy Sweet Voice" from Saint-Saens' opera. "Samson and Delilah".

While Mr. Malone played the wedding march from Wagner's "Lohengrin", the Rev. D. D. Ellis, pastor of the Presbyterian church, and the Rev. E. H. Orear, minister of the Methodist church, approached the chancel from a side door, followed by the bridegroom and Kemper Bruton, his attendant.

The bride, who walked to the altar on the arm of her father, wore a black velvet gown with a short train and a black Juliet cap of the same material. She carried an arm bouquet of Easter lilies.

Mrs. Dellar Mott, the matron of honor, and Miss Margaret Fisher, the bridesmaid, wore identical gowns of yellow taffetta and Juliet caps and gold sandals. Their bouquets were of yellow roses.

Arden Poage of Charleston, a nephew of the bridegroom, was the ringbearer. Boutonnieres of the clergymen, the bridegroom, his attendant, and Dellar Mott Walter Weekley, and Calvin Carter, the ushers, were white carnations.

Mr. Malone played Liszt's "Lieberstraum" while Mr. Ellis performed a double ring ceremony and Mr. Orear prayed. The bridal party left the church as he played Mendelssohn's wedding march.

At a reception given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dellar Mott, 1010 North Kingshighway, immediately after the wedding, Mr. and Mrs. Mott, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Poage, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Wilbur, and Miss Margaret Fisher and Kemper Bruton received with the bride and bridegroom in front of the living room fireplace, which was banked with palms and ornamented with holly and lighted candles. Mrs. D. D. Ellis and Miss Mills served after the bride had cut her large cake.

Mr. and Mrs. Poage left for the south at 5:30 Sunday afternoon. They spent the night in Memphis, but the next day, they drove on to Plant City, Fla., to visit Mrs. Poage's sisters, Mrs. L. J. Prosser and Mrs. Peal Clark, and her brother, Robert Wilbur, and members of their families. Mr. and Mrs. James H. Wilbur, who will spend the winter in Plant City, accompanied them.

After January 15, Mr. and Mrs. Poage will be at home in the Poage apartments on Kathleen avenue.

Baptists to Perform in Bloomfield

Member of the B. Y. P. U. will give a second performance of "The Bethlehem Inn", a Christmas play, at the Baptist church in Bloomfield Wednesday evening. The Sikeston Baptist church was filled for the first presentation Sunday night. The cast will go to Bloomfield at the request of members of the Bloomfield congregation.

TURKEY DINNER
Christmas Day
50c
THEGRILL

FARM NEWS

By F. B. Veatch
Scott County Extension Agent

Applications for Payment Mailed

139 applications for grants for Scott county farmers, under the 1937 agricultural conservation program, were sent to the state office for audit last Saturday. Scott county is the first county in Southeast Missouri to forward grants for 1937 and also among the first in the entire state. Farm reports have been busily engaged in inspecting farms for the past two months. Farms are being inspected as rapidly as possible. Every attempt is being made to complete the program before January 1.

Additional applications will be forwarded in blocks of 300 immediately upon completion.

Will Supply Certified Seed Corn

Louis Dohogne, Box 26, Chaffee, is having his Midland Yellow Dent corn certified for the third consecutive year. He estimates that he will have approximately 200 bushel of certified seed for sale this year. Several other producers are selecting their seed corn prior to inspection. Alwin G. Gasser, Theodore Dohogne, Otto Schlitt, W. C. Pattengill and others, including members of the 4-H corn clubs.

Mr. Dohogne states that he planted Midland Yellow Dent three years ago and since that time has never had a decent year for good yield; however, in 1934 his corn averaged about 40 bushels per acre, and has had about as good yields in 1935 and 1936.

Midland Dent, while not a show corn, has proven its worth as a good producer in all areas of the state of Missouri. Farmers who have in past years purchased seed corn of Mr. Dohogne and Mr. Gasser are giving them repeat orders this year. Good seed corn is scarce and the farmers in other parts of the state are realizing it more than the farmers in Southeast Missouri. As a consequence, these men are buying their seed early in order to get good seed and it might be that the Scott county farmers who failed to secure their seed corn early will be without good seed.

No Corn Loans Available

There will be no loans made by the federal government on seed corn in Scott county, according to a letter received from J. Ross Fleetwood, Columbia.

Fourteen counties in Southeast Missouri are included in the area where loans will not be made. No reason was given in this letter for this action.

Builds New Poultry House

Leo Hamm of Perkins was not satisfied with the 25 per cent production from his flock of 240 hens. As a result, he is just completing a new 30x30 poultry house which, in most cases, has the principles which are advocated by the Missouri College of Agriculture. Mr. Hamm is using one new idea in his poultry house and that is sealing the compartment under the roost. This has some good features; however, it does limit the floor space in a poultry house to that extent. Many poultrymen in Scott county are faced with the same production problems as Mr. Hamm. Poultrymen are feeding good grain and balanced rations but still fail to get average production because of poor housing conditions. This new building will comfortably house 275 to 300 birds and was built with an approximate cost of $130. A thin section concrete floor is planned for next spring after the danger of freezing is over.

Will Have Family Dinner

Mrs. Anna Ancell will entertain Christmas Day with a family dinner, at her home on Sikes avenue. Guests will include, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ancell of Cape Girardeau, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Yowell of St. Louis, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Ancell, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Ancell and little daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Wagner and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ancell.

Southbound Train Delayed

Difficulty with a Frisco freight on the tracks north of Cape Girardeau delayed the southbound passenger train three hours Sunday morning. The train carrying mail here did not arrive until 7 o'clock.

PERSONAL

Felix Kersting of the state highway department left Sunday for Jefferson City to visit relatives.

Mrs. Wayne DeLisle and baby of Portageville spent, the week end here with her mother, Mrs. J. W. Schoff. Mr. De Lisle came Sunday and accopanied his family home. They will return here for Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Mead of St. Louis will be guests of the latters sister, Mrs. L. M. Schroff and Mr. Schroff Christmas Day.

Jack Matthews arrived home Sunday from the Veteran's Hospital in Little Rock, to spend the holidays with relatives. His health is much improved.

J. R. Knox, project engineer with the Missouri State Highway, left Sunday to spend the holidays with relatives in Fort Morgan, Colo.

Geo. P. Plattenberg departed Sunday to join Mrs. Plattenberg and their baby who are visiting relatives in Princeton, Mo.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas Malone and baby will arrive Thursday night to spend Christmas at the home of Mrs. Malone's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Baker. Mr. Malone will return to the city Saturday and Mrs. Malone and baby will remain for a longer visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Graham and Mrs. Jerry Bradfield of Poplar Bluff, shopped in St. Louis during the week-end.

Got indigestion? Maybe it's a guilty conscience. Latest scientific discoveries of interest to everybody told in The American Weekly, the magazine distributed with next Sunday's Chicago Herald and Examiner.

Mrs. Oscar Carroll spent Sunday in St. Louis with her husband, who is a patient in Jewish hospital there. Mr. Carroll will be dismissed from the hospital Christmas Day ,and will accompany Mrs. Carroll, to Fredericktown for a short stay with relatives before returning to Sikeston.

Mrs. T. B. Dudley of St. Louis, arrived Saturday for a holiday visit in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Baker, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Britton of Los Angeles, Calif., visited with the former's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Allen, Monday, en route to Cairo, Ill., to visit Mr. Britton's parents. They will return here Friday morning accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Britton and Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Britton, to spend Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Anderson and their children, Betty and Billy, will leave Thursday morning for Jacksonville, Ill., to spend Christmas Day and the week end with Mrs. Anderson's mother, Mrs. W. R. Huckeby.

Mr. and Mrs. S. V. Mitchell of Buffalo, N. Y., formerly of Sikeston, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary on December 30. Their daughter, Mrs. A. Ray Smith of Oakland, Calif., has gone to Buffalo to be with them for the celebration.

BABY CHICKS — Missouri Approved and Pullorum Tested chicks. All popular breeds $7.90 per hundred, postpaid. Live Delivery Guaranteed. New Hampshire Chicks, $10.00 per hundred. FRANKLIN COUNTY HATCHERY, Union, Mo. 8t-26

Two Building Permits Issued

Mayor N. E. Fuchs issued two building permits Friday. One was to C. C. Kindred for construction of a $3000 duplex in the high school addition . The other was to Franklin Moore, who is building a five-room residence in the high school addition at an estimated cost of $2500. Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Trowbridge expect to occupy the Moore house by January 14.

MRS. PLEAS MALCOLM INJURED IN ACCIDENT

Mrs. Pleas Malcolm was slightly injured Friday morning when the car in which she was riding north on Highway 61 hit a southbond truck headon.

Mr. Malcolm, the driver, and his sisters-in-law, Mrs. Early Malcolm and Mrs. Roland Malcolm, and Mrs. Early Malcolm's baby were not hurt. Elmer Erwin of Morley, driver of the truck also escaped injury.

Mrs. Pleas Malcolm suffered a severe blow on her head when the machines collided. Fenders and wheels of both the car and truck were damaged, and the car's windshield was broken.

The accident happened when the accelerator of Mr. Malcolm's new automobile stuck, preventing him from stopping it.

AUTHORITY TELLS NEED FOR TEXTILE STANDARDS

Almost no quality grades or standards for fabrics and clothing to protect the feminine consumer in her buying exist in industry today, according to Mrs. Adelle E. Ginter, assistant professor of home economics at the University of Missouri.

Few women, Mrs. Ginter says, shop intelligently for clothes and textiles. As they do not know how to judge fabric quality themselves and as they cannot be enlightened by non-informative labels on products, they have little or no protection when they buy clothing or clothing materials.

"Consumers are not conscious of the need of standards," this textile expert states, "and they have not demanded them of industry and government agencies."

She feels the most urgent need in all consumer buying today is the attaching of more informative labels to products, especially clothing and textiles. An industrial achievement of this type is being made more necessary with the introduction of new kinds of manufactured materials which hide their identity from the consumer.

"And yet, even when the manufacturers place informative labels on products," said Mrs. Ginter, "the consumer still needs the assurance that the information is accurate."

This relation of the consumer and the retailer she described as a trust between the two, indicate that textile buying could be put on a scientific basis if the consumer and the retailer would cooperate in their mutual knowledge of the product.

Women who buy should demand to know the guage of the hosiery for sale, they should know that "sanforized" means controlled shrinkage, and should not be too quick to buy a garment that is marked merely, "preshrunk." The retailer, to do his part, must give his clerks a background for textile selling and, despite price competition, must represent the relative quality of different brands of goods exactly as it is.

The only governmental agency which attempts to protect the consumer, Mrs. Ginter pointed out, is the federal trade commission. Its function is to correct the practice of misleading advertising. But its power to enforce a scheme of informative labels is limited to the extent that it cannot act unless there is a controversy between companies over unfair competition.

Mrs. Ginter anticipates a movement among consumers to effect legislation for the purpose of setting up standards for slothing materials and for providing informative labels to be attached to them.

When consumers become conscious of the need for accurate labels and feel free to call upon governmental agencies for help in accomplishing this need, they will become efficient buyers.

It was a dark and stormy night and the boatswain's mate returned home weary and wet.

"I have been to every shop in town and I can't find a piece of ribbon like this anywhere, dear," he told his wife.

"Splendid," she cried, "I just wanted to make sure that it couldn't be matched."

Sailor: "I would like to purchase a present for my wife."

Clerk: "Would you be interested in something in silk stockings?"

Sailor: "Well, let's get this present matter out of the way first."

Let Us Give You That Christmas Permanent Now!

Good work at Reasonable Prices

We invite each of our patrons to come in. We have a souvenir for you.

GRAHAM'S BEAUTY SHOP

Notice To Automobile Owners

City Ordinance No. 1201—Section No. 1. That every Motor Venicle licensed by the City of Sikeston, Missouri shall at all times have displayed on the wind-shield of such motor vehicle the reigisteration sticker issued by the city clerk, entirely unabscured and un-obstructed, with all parts there of plainly visible, and kept reasonable clean.

SECTION NO. 2

Any person firm or corporation who shall operate a motor vehicle the registration sticker issued by the city clerk, entirely unobscured and un-obstructed, with all parts there of conviction be fined not more than Ten Dollars.

THE ABOVE ORDINANCE WILL BE RIGIDLY ENFORCED ON AND AFTER THIS DATE.

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FRUIT CAKE ICE CREAM Serves Eight 69c

MAKES AN IDEAL GIFT FOR YOUR FRIENDS
Contains Nuts, Cherries, Pineapple etc. Made of real fruit cake. The perfect desert for Christmas.

Midwest Dairy Products Co.
Phone 180

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A Slipper You'll Want for Lounging . . .

• PEACH • RED • BLUE • BLACK • GREEN

. . . it's incomparable anywhere! The slipper has a rich white shirling collar with velvet ribbon lacing . . a quilted sateen lining. Select several pairs for Xmas gifts!

Warm! Smart! New! GLOVE KID . . .

$1.00
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• RED • BLUE • BLACK • WHITE • BROWN

. . . even the soles are Glove Kid! Made with padded or Cuban heel, with matching electrified Shirling collar! Get a pair!

See This Glorious Array of New . . .

BOUDOIR Slippers

$1.00
$1.25

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. . . as glamorous as the season! In rich velvet . . . sleek kidskin . . . shining satin . . . rich brocade . . . with luxurious shirling, gold or silver kid trims . . . hard or padded leather soles . . . quilted sateen linings . . . ALL ONE PRICE! Choose your own and Xmas gifts!

Oriental Glamour in VELVET . . .

EMPRESS BOUDOIRS

specially priced at

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. . . inspired by the slippers of a Chinese empress . . . beautiful in rich velvet, trimmed in gold or silver kid! With genuine leather sole.

House Shoes In Satin, Kid, Suedes and Many Other Fabrics and Colors

THE BUCKNER RAGSDALE Co.
SIKESTON, MO.

FORRESTER'S CONTEST TO END THURSDAY NOON

Mary Ann Frewerd and Paul Slinkard, Jr., led entrants in Forrester's drug store contest Monday as the end of the competition neared.

Double bonuses will be granted to boys and girls until Thursday noon, when the contest will end. Final standings will be posted in the store's window Thursday night, and prizes will be presented in front of the store at 9 o'clock Christmas morning.

Sixteen boys and girls will be awarded prizes. The winner of first place in the boys' division will win a $32 electric train with a remote control whistle. The girl winner will receive a doll four feet high.

The names of girl and boy contestants are printed below in the order of their ranking on Monday morning.

Mary Ann Frewerd, Norma Jean Walker, Caroline Weltecke, Mary Helen Trousdale, Patsy Lou Alexander, Barbara Jo Boyce, Lillian Ancell, Patrica Caulk, Ilene Crutchfield, Lucy Jo Aufdenberg, Martha Jane Lewis, Shirley Shainberg, Caroline Groves, Eugenia Potashnick, Jackie Sue Woodwell, Sally Bach, Shirley Ann Thomas, Betty Jean Sizemore, Laura Greenlee, Barbara Cummins, Ida Lou Littleton, Doris South, Doris Heath, Patsy Ruth Gentles, Joy Woodney, and Sally Lou Williams.

Paul Slinkard, Jr., Billy Dudley, Leonard Caroll, Leonard Crase, Larry Lee Conatser, Bob McCord, Harold Lowe, Jackie Edwards, Dennie Rogers, Curtis Bryant, Jimmy Ellis, Vee Wills, Billy Matthews, Charles Randolph, Richard Smith, Allen Crites, Albert Bess, Shirley Alberson, Ralph Caul, Billy Tomerlin, and Herbert Finney.

FINED FOR DRUNKENNESS

Judge Brown Jewell fined Levern Camerson of Morehouse $8 for being drunk and disturbing the peace last week-end. The fine was paid.

BINGO PARTY

The Catholic ladies will sponsor a Bingo party Wednesday afternoon at the Parish Hall on Front street, at which the officers of St. Ames' Sodality will serve as hostesses.

PARISH ASSN. GIVES PARTY

The Catholic Parish Association entertained members of the Parish Sunday night, with a Christmas party. A surprise feature of which was a shower of linen given to Father O'Neil by the parishoners.

HOSTS AT DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Pitman will have as guests for Christmas dinner: Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Erwin, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Erwin and son Kay, of Kennett; Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Blair and sons, Tommy and Jimmy, of New Madrid; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Pitman of Crowder; Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Soloman, Mrs. Ruby Newsome and daughter, Frances Ann.

Teachers Entertain Classes

Seventh and eighth grade teachers entertained with a theatre line party Monday afternoon for their pupils. The movie was "Banjo on My Knee" starring Joel McCrea and Barbara Stanwyck. The instructors took students to the performance as a Christmas gift.

BIRTH ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Schwieter announce the birth Monday morning of an eight and a half pound son, whom they have named Raymond Wesley, Jr.

BEAVERS IN NEW HOME OUTWIT ENGINEERS

Jersey County beavers at Beaver Lake on the L. E. Groppel farm near Rosedale are attracting biology students from many parts of the district between Jersey County and St. Louis.

L. E. Groppel, former Jersey County superintendent of schools, is taking an active interest in the animals and making an intensive study of their habits. It was believed that the animals worked with soft wood only, but the four beavers released in the lake near Rosedale have demonstrated that they can utilize hard wood as well as soft. In fact they not only cut down and worked up a black oat tree, but at present are busily engaged in falling a white oak.

The animals cut through a part of the white oak and hit "dead wood." They immediately stopped cutting and sought to begin at a point some distance above the original starting place. They carried enough clay and grass to build a platform high enough to elevate the worker to the point of the second cutting.

The water level in Beaver Lake is maintained at a certain level by means of an overflow outlet. Groppel reported that the animals were not content with the water already in the lake, but have started to reconstruct the work done a year ago by CCC workers at the outlet and are building a dam near the water escape which will stop up the outlet and make a lake 40 feet deep and covering 30 acres of land instead of the present 10 or 12 acres.

"They started the base of their proposed dam," Groppel said, "by dragging in dead limbs that have sunk to the bottom of the water. This material could not float. Then they mixed long gras with clay for a plaster.

"The dead brush was somewhat woven together before the plaster was applied. Now in preparing this plaster, the soil close at hand contained much humus and did not serve best to mix with grass, so the beavers went a considerable distance to get real red clay from a dam the CCC boys helped construct.

"I think a lot of these little fellows, but I don't want that pipe stopped. Of course, they want all the water they can get, but I feel as if 10 acres is all I can afford to let them have. If they carry out their plans, they will have a 30-acre lake, 40 feet deep.

"Since I have been a school teacher, I can't help but think of these beavers as boys. They try to outwit you, but generally, if one thinks, the situation can be handled. However, with these fellows it is different. I suggested putting chicken wire about the pipe, but was soon reminded that this would only make good laths for their plaster."

Groppel related how the beavers had dredged one of the inlets into the lake in order to float a large limb into the main body of water. The limb was cut out of the top of a tree and they dragged it to the beginning of the ravine. Then they got busy and cleared all the surplus brush from the water and got a clear way into the main lake before moving the large piece of timber.

Groppel reported that he saw one 12-foot piece of timber which the boss-beaver had evidently marked off. Every so many inches he had cut a nick to be followed in cutting the stick into pieces.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

These Fasteners Make It Easy for Children to Dress, Undress Selves

"SELF-HELP" is the newest idea for little children's clothes. Slide fasteners easy for even a three-year-old to manipulate take the place of bothersome buttons.

Even though there is such practicality in the new garments, style is kept as important as ever. They are skillfully cut and of imaginative design.

One talon closing model for little girls is fitted at the top and gored at the sides to flare around the hem. There are sheer flowered voiles with sashes tied in perky bows.

In addition to the fact that little youngsters thus can dress and undress themselves without calling on mother for assistance, there is added advantage in the washability of the garments, all of which can be tossed into the family washing machine and thus cleansed easily and quickly. This is one of the many ways in which the family washer is constantly demonstrating its usefulness.

FARMERS FIND NOVEL USES FOR ELECTRICITY

The next time you quaff a cool glass of cider or eat a pair of succulent frog's legs, it isn't likely to think of a woman's hair dryer as an instrument for saving the lives of calves.

But the farmers of Jackson county, Missouri, think of these things, very practically. Those who have electric service have found novel uses for it.

J. H. Lenz, who has 564 acres in two farms, is a breeder of purebred cattle. His wife likes to tell how one of her boudoir appliances was instrumental in saving the lives of seven calves. She says:

"During a cold spell last winter, seven newly born calves were doing poorly and my husband was afraid the below-zero weather would freeze their ears. So he borrowed my electric hair dryer and attached it to a socket in the barn. It worked perfectly, completely 'thawed out' the calves, and from then on they thrived. I doubt if a woman's hair dryer had ever been put to such a use before—but if the occasion arises, it will be put to the same use again."

Army men know that cavalry horses parade better when a band is playing. Adopting this principle to cows, Robert W. Barr and Edward Watson, owners of a large Jackson county dairy farm, always have the radio in the barn playing music during milking time. Watson says:

"Let cows be discontended from any reason and they will not give as much milk as if they were comfortable. Our cows listen to the music of the radio and are pleased by it. We have experimented and found that cows give more milk when the radio is playing than when it is not."

N. G. Noris, operator of a large frog farm, says that he could not make his business profitable were it not for electricity. Frogs will not eat anything that is dead, so food for them is expensive. Norris explains how he cut down feed bills:

"We put unusually bright electric lights at various places close to the surface of the ponds. These lights attract hundreds of thousands of insects at night. The frogs gather beneath the lights, stand on their hind legs, and eat their fill." The ponds and ditches of the froggery are fed by water raised from wells by electric pumps.

Sterling Evans runs an apple packing house and cider mill, and he lets electricity do most of the work. An electric motor runs the mill. The cider is cooled by an electric system. The apple-sorting machines are also operated by electrciity . In years of average rainfall. Evans makes 30,000 gallons of cider. "It would be almost impossible for me to turn out this large amount with the old hand-operated apple presses," he says.

Electricity helped John H. Stevens fight the drouth. He has electric lights, an electric washing machine, a radio, and other appliances. But it is the electrically operated pump which interests him most. His corn was withered by the lack of rainfall last summer but he kept an acre field of seed corn alive and thriving by irrigation sprays from overhead pipes. The water for this purpose was pumped electrically from a ninety-foot well.—Rural Electrication News.

M. U. PROF. DEVELOPS NEW ROAD MATERIAL

It is now possible to form a durable road surface by adding to soil a cheap chemical mixture obtained primarily from waste agricultural products. The chemicals and method have been developed by Dr. Hans Winterkorn of the University of Missouri College and Agriculture. His work is also being supported by the State Highway Department, the U. S. Department of Agriculture, and the Argentine Government.

This way of constructing roads is expected to be especially popular in those districts where gravel, crushed rock, and other aggregates are not readily available. It is also expected to be used extensively in establishing the base for concrete and other types of highway surfacing.

The surface created by the method has remarkable tensile strength and surface resistance. Its tensile strength has been tested and in dry conditions amounts to some 200 pounds per square inch. The material has been left in water 36 days without noticeable disintegration.

There are three ways of using the chemical mixture developed by Dr. Winterkorn. It can be spread on the suface of the road, much as oil is spread on certain dirt roads. When used in this manner, the cost is approximately $250 a mile, which is comparable to the cheapest road surfacings. The second way si to loosen the surface of the road down to a depth of five or six inches and then apply the chemical mixture with a subterranean machine under and through the surface. The cost then increases to about $4000 a mile, which is approximately two or three times as much as gravel surfacing costs when first applied. However the surface thus created is considered much more satisfactory than gravel.

The third method requires the use of a mixer. The soil is scooped up and mixed with the chemicals in a machine and then spread out behind to be rolled into place to form the road surface. This last method costs in the neighborhood of $6000 a mile but a stabilized base is formed which will often last for 14 years or more.

In each of thees methods, a wearing surface of some one-eighth of an inch of asphalt and rock chips is put on over the stabilized base. This top cover may be renewed periodically according to the wear on the road.

BIOLOGIST ASKS HUNTERS TO KILL WILD GOBBLERS

Branson, Mo., Dec. . —If you had twenty wild turkeys, ten hens and ten gobblers, how could you kill nine of them and have 131 wild turkeys? How could you kill nine and have only 23?

This may seem to be mathematically impossible, but it certainly isn't a biological impossibility, declares Harold L. Blakey, assistant conservationist of the U. S. biological survey, who is visiting hunters in this section of the Ozark wild-turkey range.

The first answer is: kill nine gobblers. A wild turkey hen normally will hatch out 12 to 15 poults next spring, so (taking 12 as a fair average) the ten hens would hatch out 120, plus the ten hens and one gobbler, making 131 wild turkeys. On the other hand, by killing nine hens, one would have only twelve poults, one hen and ten gobblers, or 23 wild turkeys.

This illustrates the idea behind Blakey's suggestion to sportsmen that they can increase the number of wild turkeys next year by shooting gobblers instead of hens this season. This is entirely up to the hunter, however, as no Missouri game law prohibits killing wild turkey hens.

Whichever it may be, Blakey is appealing to hunters to save him the gizzard and craw (crop) from every wild turkey killed in Missouri this season, for biological survey study of contents to identify what plants and insects are eaten by these birds. By no other means can this important information be obtained. The gizzard and craw can be sent in any substantial wrapping, express collect or parcel post, to H. L. Blakey, Biological Survey, Federal Building, St. Louis.

The need of skilled Santas was bewailed by Charles W. Howard, Albion, N. Y., who around Christmas time is a professional Santa Claus, playing the part for church and civic functions. Santas he has seen on streets and in stores, he said, do not measure up to childhood expectations. "I could place 20 or 30 Santas right now," he declared, "if I had trained men."

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Harper and son John, were week end visitors in St. Louis.

CHRISTMAS SALE!

Sugar—Pure Granulated—(Bag $4.89), 10 lbs. ---- 49c
Swansdown Cake Flour, large Package ---- 25c

Candied Cherries, lb.	45c	Cocoanut, Fancy shred, lb.	19c
Candied Pineapple, lb.	39c	Fox Mince Meat, 3 pkgs.	25c
Candied Citron, lb.	25c	Mince Meat, Gallon Tins, each	98c

Ocean Spray Cranberry Sauce, can	15c
Taste Good, Pumpkin, 3 large cans	25c
Taste Good, Fresh Prunes, 2 large cans	25c
Taste Good, Sliced Pineapple, No. 2 can	15c

Cocoanuts, 2 for	15c	Brachs Chocolate Drops ,lb.	10c
Brazils, large Fancy, lb.	23c	Fancy Creams and Jellies, lb.	10c
English Walnuts, No. 1 lb.	23c	Big Ben Jellies, 3 lbs.	25c
Black Walnuts, shelled, lb.	65c	Xmas Mixed, 2 lbs.	25c
Almonds, shelled, lb.	69c	Peanut Brittle, lb.	10c

Very Complete Stock of all other Nuts and Chrismas Candies.

10 VARIETIES OF BRACH'S FANCY CHOCOLATES
"FIT FOR A QUEEN"
ALL AT SPECIAL XMAS PRICES—COME IN AND SEE THEM

Dates, 1¾ lb. pkg.	25c	Peanut Butter, 5 lb. Tin	69c
Figs, Fancy Black, pkg.	10c	Apple Butter, qt. jar	15c

A Complete Line of Fruits and Vegetables.

MEAT MARKET

Veal Roast	15c	Bacon, Sugar Cured	25c
Veal Chops	20c	Salt Side	20c
Veal Stew	10c	Chilli Brick	20c
Spareribs	18c		

Our Grocery and Market is brim full of good things to eat. Our Hardware department well stocked with toys and useful gifts—it will be fun to stop and shop for your entire Xmas list at our store.

YOU'VE HEARD THAT "MONEY TALKS"
We are going to let our Xmas special prices say to you—right out loud

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IN REGARD TO SHOOTING FIRECRACKERS IN THE BUSINESS SECTION OF THE CITY OF SIKESTON AND THROWING FIRECRACKERS AT PERSONS OR AUTOMOBILES

The following ordinance will be **STRICTLY ENFORCED** and all persons found guilty will be fined.

This ordinance is No. 253: Any person in this city who shall willfully fire or explode any firecacker, Roman candle or other fireworks or cause the same to be fired or exploded, without a permit from the Mayor shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. The Mayor is hereby authorized to grant such permit on the **FIRST DAY OF JANUARY, FOURTH DAY OF JULY, TWENTY FIFTH DAY OF DECEMBER,** and on other public or national holidays or on the occasion of any public celebration. **UNDER SUCH RESTRICTIONS AS IN HIS JUDGMENT MAY TEND TO AVOID FIRE, DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY OR INJURY TO PERSONS.**

Walter Kendall
Chief of Police

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Buy At Your Own Prices For Christmas in Our Quitting Business

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3 SALES DAILY---2 P. M., 4 P. M., 7:30 P. M.

We Must Vacate On or Before January 9

WOLF HOUSE FURNISHING CO.

Odd Fellows Bldg.

SIKESTON, MISSOURI

Personal And Society Items From Charleston

Charleston, Mo., Dec. 17.—One of the most enjoyable affairs of the week was the Christmas party given by members of the Woman's Council of the Christian Church at the home on Mrs. Hula Salmon on Tuesday afternoon. The program was given by Mrs. Harold Lovelace, who had a large table decorated to represent Christmas in each country and a flag marked each country. She gave a very interesting description of how Christmas is celebrated in each and closed her talk with Christmas in America. Just at the conclusion of her talk those present were presented gifts from a large and beautifully decorated tree, which was a part of the decoration of the room. The same colors were carried out in the refreshments of fruit jello, whipped cream, angel food cake, and coffee. Mrs. Salmon's rooms were very attractively decorated for the occasion. Among those present were three out of town members: Mesdames C. M. Davis, J. Barfield, and John Clevidence.

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Ann Latimore to Mr. Jack O'Neal, which was solemnized on Tuesday evening, December 15th, at 9 p. m. in Sikeston, Mo., at the home of the officiating Justice of the Peace. Mr. and Mrs. Shawie Noffel accompanied the couple and served as attendants. Mr. O'Neal is connected with the People's Market of this city. The young couple are now at home at the Loebe Apartments.

Mr. Chas. Baker and granddaughter, Betty Lee Anderson, are spending the week in St. Louis, where they are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Baker.

Mrs. William Kirkpatrick has been quite ill this week at her home in west end.

Miss Frances Daniel, who has been ill for several weeks at her home on East Commercial street, is now convalescent.

Eighteen members of the Woman's Missionary Society were in attendance on Wednesday afternoon at the meeting held at the church. Mrs. W. S. Love served as leader of the devotional service and closed it with the poem, "Lord, Teach Me." Mrs. Love also led the Mission study, the topic of which was "Racial Understanding," of the study of the negro. She was assisted by Mesdames John Turner, Ivo O'Rourke. Moore Haw, Seth Rowe, J. H. Marshall, and Dee Jennings, the latter giving the "Life of Booker T. Washington." Mrs. Riley Brown closed the program with the musical reading, "When Melindy Sings," Dunbar.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles Rowling are the proud parents of a little ten pound son, who was born on Sunday moning, December 13th.

LAWYERS TO OUTNUMBER OTHER PROFESSIONS IN 59TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Lawyers will outnumber all other professions in the Fifty-ninth General Assembly of Missouri, as in a majority of the more recent sessions of the State Legislature, according to a survey just completed by Secretary of State Dwight H. Brown. There will be a total of 53 barristers in both houses.

The survey discloses that exactly half of the membership of 34 of the State Senate of the new Legislature, which will convene January 6, will be composed of attorneys. Other occupations are represented in the upper branch of the Assembly as follows:

Farmers, six; editors and publishers, three; real estate and insurance, farmer-lawyer and merchant, theatre manager, printer and hauling contractor, one each.

There is about the usual number of lawyers in the membership of the House, 36 out of the total number of 150. Farmers, with a total of 42, constitute the largest membership of an occupation. Merchants number 20.

There are three ministers in the House membership. One lists himself as a minister-lawyer; another minister-carpenter and a third as a minister-insurance agent.

One of the new lawmakers is a funeral director, one is an optometrist, there is one engineer-architect, one electrical engineer, one grain dealer, one former Sheriff, one "planter," one manufacturer, one barber-farmer, one "hatcheryman," one who lists himself as "piano salesman and magician" and one is a cafe owner.

There are two physicians, two dentists and three druggists in the House membership.

Washington Comment

There was considerable excitement about the first of November and it was reported that President Roosevelt had been elected, which was nothing more than a guess, though a good one, as subsequent events proved. The real election was held in Washington a few days ago, when the presidential electors cast their ballots, and it may now be stated that the surmise of November was correct. The single instance in which the outcome of a presidential election was not settled so easily was that of Mr. Hayes. The votes of Louisiana, South Carolina and Florida being in dispute, Congress appointed an Electoral Commission composed of five Senators, five representatives and a like number of Justices of the U. S. Supreme Court who, by a vote of 8 to 7, allotted the ballots of the contested states to Gen. Hayes, and he was seated accordingly.

The papers note the strange case of a Florida man who has talked ten days without stopping. He is under the spell of disease and is to be pitied rather than made the subject of jokes. In Virginia, where Edith Maxwell was tried lately, with wide publicity, for the alleged killing of her father by knocking him on the head with a shoe, the closing arguments of the lawyers were limited to six hours. It is hard to understand what they found to talk about after the first hour. Times have not changed in all respects during the past two thousand years. There still remains a considerable class who, like the men referred to in the Scripture, "think that they shall be heard for their much speaking," but perhaps longwindedness is merely a disease of which the unfortunate Florida citizen is suffering an acute attack.

The affair of King Edward is closed, to all intents and purposes, but some whose only chance of being seen lies in the fact that a reflected light may shine upon them, seek to keep the incident alive as long as possible. To their number may be added the large group whose chief business is to knock. The public at large cannot grasp all the details and far reaching results of the King's abdication. Probably no one can. They will have to work themselves out as history is made. All however will understand the poet Pope and agree that he was right when he wrote: "Uneasy lies the head that wears the crown." Incidentally, Edward is reported to have carried on a half hour phone conversation between Austria and France. Although no longer a king, he is not bothered by that uncomfortable feeling that most of use have as the minutes pile up during a long distance phone call.

There are thirty-three persons in the United States who have a yearly income of at least million dollars, according to the Federal Internal Revenue authorities. Fifteen are in New York States, and the other sare spread over eight states. If a man keeps away from New York he has a fair chance of walking about freely without bumping into someone who has a million dollar income. Statistics thus confirm the conclusions which we had already reached by sizing up our own bank rolls and those of our friends and acquaintances.

A Washington motorist has been fined $2.00 for putting on his 1937 auto tags too early, and shortly after New Years Day there will be many who will feel the grip of the law for operating with expired tags: all of which recalls an adage from the school reader which ran someting like this: Be not the first by which the new is tried, nor yet the last to lay the old aside.

The unpaid European war debts have become almost a threadbare subject, yet it is well to mention the matter now and then "lest we forget". As the glad Christmas season approaches, France cheers the United States with the annual assurance of a default, coupled with the appointment of an envoy to talk things over. A good envoy can be hired at an expense of a few thousand dollars, and talk costs nothing. In the meantime, the European nations are preparing to clean up each other, and the United States if necessary, with United States cash as the sinews of war. Six other countries are sending greeting cards similar to the one prepared by France. Finland, alone, will write: "Enclosed find check."

PEMISCOT PROSECUTOR HAS BANK NIGHT DROPPED

Bank night at the Caruthersville motion picture theatre was discontinued Wednesday at the request of Prosecuting Attorney Robert W. Hawkins of Pemiscot county.

Hawkins said he would file a lottery charge against the theatre if it did not drop bank night, inaugurated only a month before. His warning was issued the day after Chester Stephan, Jr., of Caruthersville won a "pot" of $80, the first to be awarded. Persons whose names had been called for the first $40 and for amounts increased each week by $20 had not been present on previous bank nights.

Bank nights have been declared lotteries in several states, including Arkansas, Kansas, and Illinois. No test suit has been taken to the Missouri supreme court, but Hawkins acted on a brief furnished him by Attorney-General Roy McKittrick, who said the practice was illegal.

GRANT PARK AT IRONTON IS DEEDED TO HOSPITAL

Ironton, Mo., Dec. 21.—Grant park, one of the two historical spots in Arcadia valley falling into decay, has been deeded to the hospital here, St. Mary's of the Ozarks, and under the hands of the sisters, it is expected to be put in repair and preserved for future generations.

This property, comprising six acres, borders Highway 21 near the southern limits of Ironton. Inside the stone wall fronting the property is a small lake filled with pond lilies. A well shaded lawn is on one side and a gravel roadway leads from the entrance to the twelve-room mansion in front of which is the tall stately tree called Grant oak, under which in 1861 colonel U. S. Grant received his commission as brigadier-general.

On this spot twenty-five years later the survivors of the 21st Illinois volunteer infantry erected a granite and broze statue inscribed as follows:

Erected 1886
By the Surviving Veterans of the 21st Regt. Ill. Vol. Inft.
To Commemorate the Spot Where Their Col. Ulysses S. Grant Received His Commission As General 1861
And Parting From His Regt.
Entered On His Career of Victory
"Let Us Have Peace."

Inside the roomy old mansion, a solid walnut stairway leads from the entrance to the second floor, with its spacious bedrooms, nearly all with fireplace and cedar-lined clothes closets. Another climb to the smaller attic rooms is followed by a few steep steps to the cupola, where a view of the whole valley can be obtained.

The basement under the whole house is large enough to store fuel and food for a small town, and in one section is an arrangement for cooling milk and butter by allowing cool spring water to flow around the containers.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Goodman, formerly of St. Louis, now of Chicago, lived in Arcadia valley for some time, and purchased the house to keep it from being turned into a roadhouse or gasoline station. The Goodmans made many improvements, fencing the place, building an imposing gateway and stone wall along the entire front.

They then looked for a community organization, or responsible person, to take it over and care for it. They finally decided to give it to the Sisters of St. Mary's of the Ozarks, and the deed was turned over to them Thanksgiving day. Just what use the Sisters will make of the building and park has not been decided.

Years ago this particular piece of land was a part of an old Spanish grant and was first bought by one of the original settlers, Cyrus Russell. Later it was sold to Colonel Lindsay, who at the time of the civil war had a neat log cabin a very fine orchard, and a clear cold spring. The place and spring especially appealed to Colonel Grant and was offered to him to use as his headquarters while in this section of the country.

After the war Colonel Lindsay built the house now standing, a most pretentious building of hand-made brick from each obtained only a short distance away. Skilled carpenters and cabinet makers were called in, and the cost was approximately $30,000.

Although Grant park had several owners, to most people of the valley it is known as Emmerson park, because Judge J. W. Emmerson, who later purchased it, was a poet and a lover of flowers as well as a business man. It was the judge who added the finishing touches by building the lake, improving the mansion and planting trees, shrubs, and flowers, some of which were imported from foreign lands.

After Judge Emmerson's death the home was rented for a while then sold. There were several owners after that but none improved the place until Goodman purchased it.

In speaking of the gift Goodman said, "I would rather help those who are always helping others."

10,000 POUNDS OF KOREAN LESPEDEZA SEED HARVESTED

T. P. Russell of Hayti has harvested 10,071 pounds of Korean Lespedeza seed from twenty-four acres of land located on the Wardell road, for which he has been offered 12½ cents per pound. At this price the gross proceeds would be $52.45 per acre or $1258.87 for the crop.

The county agent and a small group of farmers visited this farm and Mr. Russell indicated that he intended to harvest the lespedeza for hay. Mr. Amburgey, county agent, suggested that this would produce a good seed crop and with prospective high prices it would yield a greater income if the seed were saved. The suggestion was adopted with the above results.

The Korean Lespedeza was seeded in the spring of 1935 and used for pasture during that season. It reseeded itself in the spring of 1936. Nothing was done to it this past year, not even the weeds clipped off, and still it produced 420 pounds of seed per acre, not counting that portion that was lost in harvesting.

Mr. Russell did not care to estimate what percentage of the seed crop was left on the ground in a recent interview with the county agent.

He was sure however that there was an abundance of seed left which will insure reseeding next spring. Farmers may not be able to call this perpetual motion but it will afford an annual income that cannot be overlooked.

Korean Lespedeza has a place in this county. Approximately 4000 acres were grown in 1936. It is being used for pasture, hay and seed and it fits into the SCDA program. — Democrat-Argus.

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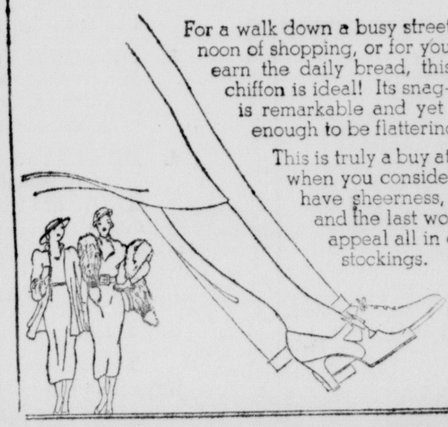
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Personal News of Sikeston

Mrs. Ed Kendall, Reporter, Phones 761w and 137

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard McMullin, Mr. and Mrs. John McMullin and Charles McMullin will spend Christmas Day at the home of Dr. and Mrs. R. Payne in St. Louis, who will entertain all members of the A. J. Matthews family at dinner.

Mrs. Thad Sheeler and children and Gilbert Ralph of Monmouth, Ill., will arrive Wednesday to spend Christmas with their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Turner and baby are expected this week end to visit Mrs. Turner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Mount.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Mahew and children expect to go to New Madrid Thursday evening to spend Christmas at the home of Mrs. Mahew's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hart.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Heckemeyer of Webster Groves will visit the latter's mother, Mrs. A. J. Goetz, over the holidays.

Mrs. L. E. Baker and son Chuck, of Chicago arrived Sunday night to spend the holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Baker, Sr., on North Kingshighway. Mr. Baker expects to come Christmas Eve for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Jackson and family will visit relatives in Jonesboro, Ark., Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Hatfield, Jr. of Princeton, Ky., are expected to arrive Thursday night to spend Christmas Day and the week end with their parents here.

Jim Hatfield and Miss Agnes Hollvax of St. Louis will be guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Hatfield, Christmas Day.

Dr. and Mrs. A. A. Mayfield visited with the latter's sister, Mrs. Renzo Miller in Millerville, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan McCoy Jr., and Daniel III, will spend Christmas Day in New Madrid at the home of Mrs. McCoy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bock.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Bess visited relatives in Fulton, Ky., Sunday.

Mrs. Jack Lancaster, who is in Hot Springs, Ark., for the benefit of her health, expects to spend Christmas Day here. She will return to Hot Springs, Saturday.

Mrs. Scott Alexander, who underwent an emergency appendectomy in St. Mary's Infirmary at Cairo, last Wednesday night, is improving, and her condition at this time is considered satisfactory.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Bess of Poplar Bluff will be dinner guests of their son, Wayne Bess, and family, Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo F. Beckett and Miss Helen Campbell will leave Wednesday afternoon for Auxvasse to spend the holidays with Mrs. Susie Campbell. Mr. and Mrs. Beckett will also visit in Salisbury while away .

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to our friends and neighbors for their sympathy shown us in our recent sorrow. The death of our father John S. Cobb. We also wish to thank those who gave the flowers, the Rev. Orear for his consoling words, the singers for their beautiful songs, those who furnished cars and the undertakers. —Mrs. Henry Bennett and family, Mrs. W. O. Ellis and family, Mrs. Cy Marshall and family.

BAKING FRUIT CAKES

Fruit cake scorches easily so most persons line the baking pan with well greased paper, says Miss Flora Carl of the Missouri College of Agriculture. Cook in a slow oven (250 to 275 degrees). Use a tube pan for a single large cake of 5 pounds or more, or divide the dough into smaller pans. A tube pan may be filled to a depth of 3½ or 4 inches. A 5 to 6 pound cake should bake about 3 hours, then should be turned out on a rack when done. When cold it is ready for wrapping in waxed paper or parchment paper, and stored.

AIR-FILLED MORSE COLLAR IS NOW ON THE MARKET

The world's on wheels, especially the United States part of it, and this was made possible through the pneumatic tire. Otherwise the automobile would have been an impossibility.

Now Lonnie L. Vardell of Puxico proposes to put old "Dobbin" in the air cushion class by fixing it so he carry his load on an inner tube blown full of soft, resilient, inexpensive air.

A patent has been issued to Mr. Vardell protecting his invention of an air-cushioned horse collar. Instead of padding up the collar with excelsior, shavings, hair or the various things that have been used to soften the impact of the load against the shoulder of the faithful horse in his labor for man, Mr. Vardell threw out this hard packed material that caused so much grief for the horse in the way of galled shoulders, running shoulder sores from bruises, and all the ills that every teamster knows too well and has inserted an air-filled inner tube in the ordinary collar. The tube is similar to that used in an automobile tire; in fact his forst collar was made using a tire inner tube.

When the horse lies up against his load the collar, made pliable by the giving of the air-filled tube insole, adjusts itself perfectly to the shape of the horse's shoulder and there is nothing to bruise or form lumps against faithful horse flesh.

The first collar was made for Mr. Vardell by J. B. Reasons of Puxico, a shoe cobbler. Since then the patent was issued, a collar company is making the collars in large quantities.

A recent advertisement of the collar brought replies and inquiries from twenty-nine states and it looks as if Mr. Vardell is headed for a big return on his simple invention. J. H. Law and W. J. Johnson, two other Stoddard county men, are interested with Mr. Vardell in placing the collar on the market.

A few days ago Mr. Johnson attended the horse show in St. Louis. He took one of the collars with him and took orders for seventy-five during the day he was in attendance. On his way back home he stopped over at Cape Girardeau to attend a sale and took orders for twenty-five more. The collar sells for about the price of the old-fashioned lumpy kind and is made from the very best pliable leather.

The inner tube is equipped with a valve just like the automobile tire and can be pumped up with an auto or bicycle pump.—Poplar Bluff Daily American Republic.

APPETITE UNSAFE GUIDE

Pleasing Foods May Not Promote Health and Growth

Foods can satisfy the appetite and yet not be sufficient for health and normal growth. This condition is likely to be brought about if the diet does not contain fruits and vegetables or a variety of foods.

Milk, fruits, vegetables, and eggs are frequently called the protective foods because they protect directly against dangers of nutritive deficiencies. They help also to afford the body a better measure of ability to protect itself against several kinds of infection. It is known that disease is often due to the absence or shortage of some needed food material, and frequently only a slight shortage of some of the so called little things in nutrition—minerals and vitamins — may severely impair the body's ability to resist infections and ill health.

Children suffer the more lasting effects of a diet lacking in protective foods. If they do not have fruits and vegetables in the diet they lack some of the essential materials needed for growth and maintenance, and poor teeth, rickets, stunted growth, and lowered resistance to disease are the usual results.

No one food is so important to health as is milk, and as far as we know now there is no adequate substitute for it. One way to protect the health of the family this winter will be to see that every child has a glass of milk every meal, and every adult a glass at least one meal a day. Next in importance after milk come fruit and vegetables as a group. The more green—or yellow— colored vegetables or fruits are, the better they are. Vegetables need not be especially urged if enough fruit is used, while those who eat potatoes, tomatoes, and green vegetables need not be urged to provide fruit.

Along with milk, fruit, and vegetables for protective foods this winter, cod liver oil should be included—1 teaspoon daily for each child under 2 years and for all other children who are not strong and vigorous. An egg every day for the young children; and one every other day for the other members of the family should be included. It is best also to include every day a serving of meat, fish, or cheese, and some whole-grain product as oatmeal, creacked wheat, or whole wheat bread.

FEEDING FROZEN FODDER

Roughages such as alfalfa hay or corn fodder do not contain any appreciable quantities of poison dangerous to livestock, even though they have been frosted, says Cecil Elder of the Missouri College of Agriculture in answering inquiries concerning dangers in feeding roughages that have been frosted or otherwise damaged. There is, therefore, no danger of poisoning following the feeding of this material after it has been frosted or frozen.

Mouldy fodder and mouldy legume hay (with the possible exception of damaged sweet clover) are not in themselves poisonous to domestic livestock, but the feed- of mouldy feed such as these may be injurious because of the digestive disturbances which it may cause. It is always best not to feed mouldy feed, but if it is not too mouldy or too badly spoiled it may be utilized with comparatively little danger, provided it is fed with caution. Animals that are not accustomed to such feed should be fed sparingly at first and never allowed excessive amounts of such food.

Frozen feed of other kinds, such as ensilage, will also cause digestive disturbances, especially in cattle and sheep, and it too should be fed with great caution. It is best to withhold such feed if possible until it has thawed out, or until the forst has passed off, before feeding it to cattle and sheep. Frosted or frozen alfalfa pasture does not seem to be poisonous or particularly dangerous to livestock.

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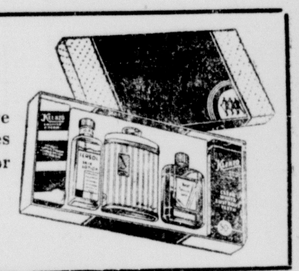

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LAIR STORE NEWS

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THE HOME STRETCH

Milling around of Christmas crowds—looking for this ,that and the other has three more days to run and then no more of it for another twelve months. Merchants will miss the happy faces and interested manner of customers in making selections that furnish the greatest thrills to relatives, friends and sweethearts. It has appeared to us that shoppers this season have shown rather plainly that Christmas is in their hearts. On that score we here reprint a short jingle penned by a good friend of other years, which seems appropriate;

"If it's Christmas in your heart
Then it's Christmas everywhere.
There may be songs and laughter
And sleigh bells coming after
And crystal gladness in the air,
But only Christmas in your HEART
Makes TRUE Christmas everywhere

LOOKS GOOD AHEAD

Our selling campaign this fall has been very satisfactory. More merchandise has been distributed than ever before in a like period. For such results we are grateful. But more important than sales volume has been the cheerful spirit and confident attitude of buyers, particularly those who live on farms. This may be taken as an omen of activity and prosperity which we have reason to expect in 1937 over S. E. Mo.

ON THE JOB TILL DOORS CLOSE

The fact will bear repeating that we have more merchandise of greater variety in our place this moment than was ever carried by any furniture retailer in Sikeston past or present. Prices are correct in every instance and service the best we know how to give . Last minute shoppers may therefore find hundreds of gift items appropriate for any occasion during the few days between now and Christmas. Our store will be open every evening and on Thursday evening will remain open till visitors stop coming. Time payments are agreeable on all larger purchases.

GREETINGS—GOOD WILL—'N EVER'THING

It is our wish that all your joys may combine to give you a pleasant Christmas day and that the coming New Year may prove to be the happiest and best of all. We'll be seeing' you in 1937 with a lot of swell attractions for homes and along with that, courteous and sincere service.

The skidding season is here, so watch your step. When driving an automobile on slippery roads no matter how good your brakes are, don't depend on them entirely. You should have your car under control at all times and adjust your driving to the prevailing conditions. Careful drivers seldom skid.

As a pedestrian, don't depend too much on the ability of the driver to stop or slow down, especially at arterials and regulated intersections. Many a pedestrian has been seriously injured because he placed too much confidence in the ability of a driver to stop his car on a slippery road.

Play safe and you will be safe

The automobiles of W. E. Oakes, Walnut, Kan., and Earl Rogers, Fordland, Mo., collided near Lamar, Mo. Oakes stepped out of the wreckage, said it was all his fault and took Rogers to town, where he purchased a new car for him.

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THE P. C. EDITOR SAYS—

Considerable uneasiness is being felt by some citizens of Fredericktown and vicinity after the arrest of citizens of that city charged under the Mann Act of immoral purposes. One of the girls is but 16 years of age and she has given up the names of her men friends and some of them married.

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Money spent to promote happiness is money well spent. This is the time of year when a little money will reach a long way towards making children happy as Santa Claus will not require a great outlay to satisfy their wishes.

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Wally Simpson kicked up a mighty furore in England in her endeavors to get to sit on the throne, lost, and now can sit on her pants.

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The "Ozark State Zephyr", new stream-lined train between St. Louis and Kansas City makes the run in five and a half hours. The diesel engine pulling four coaches carrying 135 passengers made the run at a cost of $6.50. This is the beginning of the end of the old coal burning engines.

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The Standard editor paid a visit to Muriel Hurt Saturday afternoon and found her in a very happy frame of mind. She is the young woman who was so badly injured in a car accident more than a year ago, and she is looking forward to the coming of Santa Claus just as eagerly as any child in the city. She has been such a patient invalid that it must be some unseen power that gives her strength to smile and seem happy. It is our expectation to look over Old Santa's pack and see if we can find something that will please her and let her know she is not forgotten.

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Don't forget to drop the "6" and place a "7" in the date line begining Friday of next week. It will be a little awkward at first but you will soon get accustomed to it.

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Have you looked after Santa Claus and made arrangements for the present for some child or a basket of food for some old couple who would enjoy it? If not, get busy now . If you are fairly happy make some one else the same way.

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The repeating of the fire cracker law by the City Council cost merchants hundreds of dollars in trade Saturday afternoon and night. It was positively dangerous to be on the street when half brown boys and young men were throwing cannon crackers under the feet of men, women and children. If these dangerous bombs could have been exploded under the feet of the councilmen who voted for the repeal and the few merchants who asked for it, everything would have been all right. Women and children should stay off the streets at night as it is positively dangerous to life and limb.

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At last the bunch of Muench highbinders of St. Louis have been found guilty in the Federal Court and each stand to go to the penitentiary for five years. We have followed the case closely and are mighty proud of the way the United States District Attoney, H. C. Blanton, handled the case. The books should now be closed on the rotten bunch.

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The time has about passed when the home town newspaper devotes much of its space every week to urging a patriotic support of home merchants by their fellow citizens. We say it has about passed for the reason that too many readers take pleasure in acting contrary to the urging and advice of their editors. There is still a feeling of guilt on the part of the average person who buys from a mail order house. Yet we note in some people a sort of appearance of adventure in filling out a blank and sending off for a catalogued article, all the time hoping the post office employees will say nothing about it. There is no argument on the economy, in many cases, of buying the mail order way, for those big houses do not have to pay any local taxes nor contribute to the old age assistance through the sales tax. Neither do they get their names on the list of people solicited to help build country roads, bury people who die without funds or donate to local relief work. We would like to see home merchants appoint an investigating committee to make up a list of local mail order buyers and put a copy of such list in every business house in town. It is the unquestioned right of everyone to spend their own money where they see fit, but it should also be the privilege of the home store keeper to extend credit and other courtesies where he believes there will be reciprocation. —Shelbina Democrat.

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Young Welder Commits Suicide In Hotel Room

E. E. Young, a 32-year-old electric welder employed by the International Rail Weld Corporation of Chicago, was found dead at noon Sunday in a room at the Marshall hotel. Coroner H. J. Welsh and highway patrolmen who investigated Young's death said he undoubtedly committed suicide.

A maid at the Marshall discovered Young lying on his back on a bed when she entered to clean it. He had bled profusely through a bullet wound in his right temple.

A .32 caliber Iver Johnson pistol lay under his arm, and his topcoat and hat were on the bed. Nearby was a box of shells Young had bought at Sutton's Saturday. Five of them had been placed in the pistal.

Although friends said they knew no reason why Young would kill himself and were not even aware he possessed a gun, Mr. Welsh and officers found sufficient evidence to justfiy a suicide verdict.

Young was employed with a crew of men engaged in repairing the Frisco railroad tracks near here. He learned last week that the group would work Sunday in order to complete its project and that the men would leave here Monday for vacations which would extend until after January 1.

J. F. Richardson, a business associate of Young's, told Mr. Welsh Young went to his room in Jefferson hotel, where the crew lived, at 8:30 Saturday evening and that a 9:30, Richardson noticed Young's room was dark. The next morning when he went to call Young, he found the room vacant. The bed was mussed.

At Red Ellis' cafe, where Young went early Saturday night, Young asked attendants if they knew him. When they said they didn't he wrote his name and address on the back of a notebook, which he left at Ellis' "in case anybody should ask for me". Not long afterward, Young went to the Marshall. There he not only wrote his name and home address—Richards, Mo.—but also the name of the welding company employing him. Before he went upstairs, he asked if the could read his notations. He paid for his room in advance since he had left his baggage at the Jefferson.

On Sunday morning, Mr. Welsh found an envelope addressed to Young from Lawton, Mich., and in a billfold, Young's and Richardson's names and addresses. The letter from Lawton had been burned. In the billfold, also, was a life insurance policy premium receipt on which was written this note addressed to a Fort Scott, Kan., undertaking company: "Take Kare of my body. Expenses guaranteed prepaid. E. E. Young."

Mr. Welsh believes Young shot himself between 10:30 and 11 o'clock Saturday night. No one heard a shot. A possible robbery motive was discounted since Young's possessions were at the Jefferson and money was still in his billfold when his body was found. The room door was not locked.

Associates said Young seemed in a jovial mood last week-end but recalled he had told one of them to tell another he "sure was a good man".

Young was not married. His mother, Mrs. Minnie Young of Richards, in southwest Missouri, and a brother, a pilot in Kansas City for the American Airways Company, survive him. His brother came here Monday afternoon to accompany the body to Fort Scott, twelve miles from Richards, where funeral services will be held. Welsh service.

Keller Baby Dies During Night of Strangulation

Gene David, the five-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Keller, succumbed unexpectedly in his crib Friday night.

Coroner H. J. Welsh said Gene David had probably died of strangulation at about midnight. He had vomited. Mr. and Mrs. Keller did not hear him cry out as they sleep in the same room. and it was not until nearly 8 o'clock that Mrs. Keller discovered he was dead.

Mrs. Keller's father, Fred Davis of Madison, Neb., came here for funeral services, which were conducted Monday afternoon at the residence at William and Olive streets. The Rev. E. H. Orear preached. Interment was in the city cemetery.

If he had lived, Gene David would have been six months old Sunday . Besides his parents, he is survived by a sister, Anne Keller; another grandfather, Grover Keller of Sikeston; and his great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Keller. Dempster service.

Bach Child Bitten by Rat Dies In Hospital

Martha Ann, the 3-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Bach, died at the St. Francis hospital in Cape Girardeau at 10 o'clock Sunday night.

The cause of death was not definitely established, but physicians said it was possible Martha Ann had contracted rabies from a rat which bit her six times as she lay asleep at her home, 133 North Ranney street, on December 5. The rat bit entirely through the flesh of her right cheek once and its teeth broke the skin in numerous places. Martha Ann was treated here and at first felt no pain ,but on Saturday, when her condition grew worse, she was taken to the hospital.

Funeral services will be held in Kennett at 2 o'clock this (Tuesday) afternoon at the home of Mrs. Bach's foster parents. Burial will be in Kennett.

Martha Ann was born here on May 4, 1933. Besides her parents, she is survived by a 7-year-old brother, Alfred Anderson Bach. Ellise service.

Stringer School To Have Xmas Program

The pupils of Stringer school will give a program in connection with the Community Club at 7:30 Wednesday evening at the New Harmony church.

The Christmas story will be told in verse and song in an operetta, "King Winter's Throne". Two other features of the program will be the rhythm band by the primary pupils and a one-act play entitled, "The Enchanted Boxes".

Characters of "King Winter's Throne" are as follows:

King Winter—Lloyd Asbury.
The December Lady—Virgin Hodges.

Jack Frost and Snow Fairy—Gail King, Eunice Alsup.

Doorkeeper—Caster Alsup.
Wise Men—Russell Jones, Edward Snyder, Billy King.
Shepherds — Jimmy Hodges, Billy Lewis, Sylvan Asbury, John Griffin.

Characters for one-act play:
Mother—Martel Lambert.
Daughters — Gertrude, Eunice Alsup, Marjorie Alsup.
Fairy—Dorothy Lewis.
Brother—Billy Lewis.
Enchanted Boxes—Billy King, Sylvan Asbury, Jimmy Hodges, Edward Snyder.

There will also be a visit from Santa Claus.

BASKETBALL SCORES

Matthews Boys, 32; Charleston, 10.

Mattheys girls, 41; Charleston, 25.

Delta boys, 39; Illmo, 24.

Delta girls, 24; Illmo, 23.

Vanduser boys, 25 ;Blodgett, 21.

Blodgett girls, 30, Vanduser, 24.

Anniston boys, 9; Morley, 8.

Morley girls, 25; Anniston, 7.

Benton boys, 37; Chaffee, 10.

Chaffee girls, 32; Benton, 28.

Diehlstadt boys, 24; Fornfelt, 19.

Diehlstadt girls, 49; Fornfelt, 4.

Kewanee boys, 21; Marston, 4.

Kewanee girls, 17; Marston, 17.

NATIONAL INCOME GREATER

National income produced per capita was greater in 1934 than in 1900, and that in spite of the fact that many men and women were out of work in the later year. In 1900, national income produced was $16,200,000,000; in 1934 it was $47,600,000,000. The per capita income for the entire population increased 77 per cent between 1900 and 1930.

"It Won't Be Long Now!"

Roosevelt Changes Inter-American Scene

"Only those who have followed the sad record of the relations between the United States and the governments of the countries to the south of us can really appreciate the epochal change that President Roosevelt has brought to the inter-American scene."

So wrote David Lawrence—one of the president's severest critics so far as domestic policy is concerned—in the United States News of November 30.

About all the average citizen knows about U. S. foreign policy as related to the other countries in this hemisphere is that it is governed by something celebrated and vague called the Monroe doctrine. Probably not one citizen in fifty could accurately tell you what the Monroe doctrine provides. And probably not one citzien in a hundred realizes that the doctrine has been virtually a dead letter for several years and, as well, has caused a vast amount of unfriendly feeling toward this country in the Republics to the south.

Briefly and roughly described, the Monroe doctrine meant that the United States would not permit any European government to take over territory in Latin America—that the U. S. would act as a "Big Brother" in protecting Latin American territorial rights as well as its own. This seemed fair enough—but the doctrine had not been in effect for long before discord arose. More than a century ago, Brazil requested that the doctrine, in David Lawrence's words, "be made international, that it become a sort of offensive and defensive alliance in which all Latin countries should join with the United States in keeping European armies and navies out of this part of the world . . ." That request was refused, as were similar requests made periodically in later years.

Consequently, the Latin republics came to feel, rightly or wrongly, that the U. S. was taking advantage of the doctrine to rule their countries. This feeling was strengthened by sending U. S. marines south whenever trouble appeared in a Latin American nation.

There are no marines in Latin America now—and it seems doubtful if any will be sent there again. It is a curious fact that both Hoover and Roosevelt took the initiative in withdrawing the last of these agents of what Latin America considered "U. S. Imperialism." No longer does Washington take the position that it will back up any foreign ventures of American citizens with armed force if necessary. Our citizens now travel in Latin America at their own risk, and are subject to the laws of the countries where they go. Dipiomacy will be used to help them in difficulties—but not force. In other words, their status is exactly the same as if traveling in England, France, and other European countries.

What is the result of all this? In the eyes of many American observes, the result will be a genuine feeling of friendliness for us on the part of the republics to the south—and there are signs that such a feeling is now developing, though much suspicion remains. There is also the hope that dormant trade will be revived, and that by example the western hemisphere will show the world how nations can live without war, settling differences by amicable conferences. Furthermore, it is hoped that treaties will be effected whereby European powers wishing war materials will find the raw material markets of North and South America—the greatest in the world—firmly closed to them.

Mr. Roosevelt's speech at the recent Pan-American conference is generally considered one of the best he has ever made—he handled a delicate task well. Credit for the groundwork is given to Secretary Hull, who has spent his public life working quietly for peace, and for better commercial and diplomatic relations between powers.

HAS SECOND NARROW ESCAPE IN CAR WRECK

John A. Montgomery, manager of the Walnut Lane farm southeast of Dexter, escaped injury when his car collided on a Dexter street with one being driven by S. Pippins of Bernie.

Montgomery's machine was turned over twice in the accident and was badly damaged, but Montgomery was not hurt.

Several weeks ago, Montgomery's car left a highway viaduct approach near Dexter and plunged down a forty-foot embankment. He was not injured.

Ebert-Kready Enjoyed Christmas Party Thursday.

Thirty-three members and two guests of the Ebert-Kready Missionary society of the Methodist church enjoyed a pleasant meeting and Christmas party at the country home of Mrs. Arch Russell last Thursday afternoon. Gifts were placed under the lighted tree and distributed after the program, whcih was in charge of Mrs. E. H. Orear and included these numbers:

Reading — "Wedding Report", by Mrs. John Fox.

Song—"A King is Born", by Mrs. L. R. Burns.

Reading—"A Short Sermon", by Mrs. Harvey Morrison.

The devotional and pledge service, in charge of Mrs. Orear and Mrs. Jennie Stubblefield, followed the business meeting which was presided over by the president, Mrs. Arch Russell. Later a social hour with refreshments in seasonal colors was enjoyed. Announcement was also made of the following new officers for the new year and who will be installed on Sunday afternoon, January 3, by their pastor:

Mrs. Arthur Reese—president.
Mrs. T. M. Solomon—vice-president.
Miss Sadie Emory—recording and corresponding secretary.
Mrs. J. N. Ross—treasurer.
Mrs. G .A. Dempster—christian-social relations.
Mrs. G. W. Presnell—secretary of children's work.
Mrs. Grover Baker—superintendent of Bible and mission study.
Mrs. F. E. Mount—superintendent of local work.
Mrs. J. L. Tanner—superintendent of supplies.
Mrs. Lizzie Ferrell—world outlook.
Mrs. E. H. Orear—publicity superintendent.

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Office Seekers Must Fill Out Questionnaires

Democratic office-seekers found Governor-Elect Lloyd C. Stark intends to fulfill his promise of "a business-like administration" when they received personnel questionnaires in answer to requests for political jobs. Stark said during the campaign that he would expect persons employed by the state government to be efficient.

Questionnaires mailed to applicants are similar to those used by large corporations. Each one has space for answers concerning the applicant's age, the place of his birth, the names of his father and mother, the names of the schools he has attended and the extent of his education, his religious affiliation, the names of his previous employers and the length of time he was employed by each, whether he is now employed and if not, the reason for leaving his last employment, and his experience in lines of work which he thinks especially equips him for the job he wants.

Political observers said appointees will have to receive the endorsement of local Democratic committees but added the questionnaires indicated far more than endorsement would be required. Friends of the governor-elect said his move was typical of his attitude toward the job of governor and a "healthy sign" of the manner of administration he intends to give the state.

Stark's first two appointments also indicate a competent business-like administration. Although a leading Democratic organization strongly recommended Raymond T. Finks of Clinton for the position as adjutant general of the Missouri national guard, Stark disregarded it by asking members of the military council, composed of national guard unit commanding officers, who would be best fitted for the post. They recommended Major L. M. Means of the state highway patrol and Stark immediately announced Means had been chosen.

Likewise, the governor-elect has chosen for his private secretary J. D. James, a Joplin attorney who has been an active member of the state bar advisory committee which has instituted disbarment proceeding against unethical lawyers.

Politicians think also that O. H. Moberly the state finance commissioner, will be reappointed for another four-year term since he has been one of the Park administration's outstanding officials. Stark has refused to discuss patronage but indicated he would make few immediate changes in the state government personnel.

New Madrid CCC Camp Ranks First In District

The CCC drainage camp, at New Madrid is in the forefront of the central district of the U. S. bureau of agricultural engineering, which comprises thirty-six drainage camps in Missouri, Iowa, Illinois, Kentucky, Indiana, and Ohio. Fred R. Jacoby is the camp superintendent. The camp work area consists of New Madrid county and parts of Dunklin, Mississippi, and Stoddard counties.

On clearing work, the New Madrid camp ranked first in the last statistics available, those as of October 31, with 8,054,591 square yards. This was at a rate of 216 square yards per man day. This rate was the second highest in the district, an Illinois drainage camp, with mostly light clearing, having the highest rate per man day, 336. By December 1, the New Madrid camp had cleared a total of 8,419,612 square yards.

The camp is also near the top on excavation, having credit for 1,502,428 cubic yards, which was exceeded only by another Missouri camp, which had 1,536,432 cubic yards. In fact, the New Madrid camp was responsible for nearly one-third of the yardage of the combined six Missouri camps and one-tenth of the thirty-six camps in the district. And the six Missouri camps, located at New Madrid, Delta, Hayti, Canton, Rock Port, and Carrollton, produced about one-third of the total of 16,699,288 cubic yards reported up to October 31 in the district. On to December 1, the yardage for the New Madrid camp had amounted to 1,601,869 cubic yards.

A total of 44,244 man days have been expended in the work area by the New Madrid camp since the project work started in July, 1935. Of this number, 39,057 were spent on clearing, 1,846 on excavation, and 3,341 on various other types of work, such as pipe conduits, silt control structures, truck trails, bridges, razing or moving buildings and fences from right-of-way, constructing rip-rap, and surveying.

Court to Stop Discharge of Fireworks Downtown

Judge Brown Jewell announced Monday that all persons found shooting firecrackers in the business district or throwing firecrackers at people or automobiles wil be arrested and fined.

Judge Jewell told The Standard that although councilmen made the sale of fireworks here before Christmas, New Year's and July 4 legal by repealing ordinance 304, they failed to repeal ordinance 253, which states: "Any person in this city who shall willfully fire or explode any firecracker, sky rocket, roman candle, or other fireworks . . . without a permit from the mayor shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. The mayor is hereby authorized to grant such a permit on the first day of January, fourth day of July, twenty-fifth day of December, and on other public or national holidays or on the occasions of any public celebration, under such restrictions as in his judgment may tend to avoid fire, destruction of property, or injury to persons."

Judge Jewell said officers would not interfere with persons who shoot firecrackers in residential district if they do not molest passersby.

Lions Santa To Deliver Gifts to Front Porches

Form letters telling parents the Lions club Santa Claus will not visit their children unless the children remain on the porch of their own homes Christmas morning are being distributed this week in Dogtrot and Frisco, along Mill Row, and near the south grammar school and the cotton oil mill.

As usual, the Lions truckful of presents for negro boys and girls will be taken to the Sunset school, where presents will be distributed after a program is given, but this year, Lions' trucks going to the additions will not stop at corners where children ordinarily congregate.

The change in plans was made necessary because heretofore some children have received more than one toy and sack of candy and fruit and others none. The letter instructs parents to have children wait at home until they hear the trucks approach, then to walk to front porches, where Santa will deliver presents.

CHARGED WITH PEACE DISTURBANCE AT PARTY

A warrant charging Amos Blankenship with disturbing the peace of persons attending an entertainment at Richwoods Friday night was issued in Judge William S. Smith's court yesterday. Witnesses said Blankenship threw lighted firecrackers into the building during the program.

Constable W. O. Ellis took to the Benton jail yesterday Luther Hill and Johnny Johnson, negroes accused of burglary at Wallace's store. Hill is charged with stealing a pair of shoes Saturday night and Johnson with the theft of dresses from the store last Wednesday. Their hearings will be held in Judge Smith's court.

Mrs. Gordon Barks of Charleston will entertain this (Tuesday) evening with a dinner in compliment to Miss Florence Crisler. Miss Frances Burch, Miss Uriel Haw, Miss Daisy Evans and Mrs. Geraldine Young will attend the affair.

SHERIFF PREVENTS JAIL BREAK AT POPLAR BLUFF

The plan of Frank Bennett and Bones Lemons to effect a wholesale delivery at the Butler county jail in Poplar Bluff was frustrated at midnight Thursday by Sheriff Lester Massingham.

Three prisoners told Massingham Bennett and Lemons intended to shoot their way to freedom when fifteen jail inmates were taken outside the cell block for a trip to the state penitentiary. They planned to disconnect a light switch and then stampede the deputies.

A .32 caliber revolver was found in Bennett's cell but officers could find no other gun. Bennett told Massingham he had changed his mind about the break and had thrown his bullets down a sewer pipe. They were not recovered.

Bennett once served a term in the intermediate reformatory at Algoa farms. He is now under a two-year sentence for escaping from the Butler county jail and an additional three-year term for stealing an automobile. Lemons, 24, will serve a two-year term for breaking out of the county jail where he was placed as a burglary suspect.

The prisoners were taken to Jefferson City durin the night.

2 HOLIDAY DANCES WILL BE HELD AT THE CELLAR

Two popular orchestras will play at holiday dances at The Cellar in Charleston, George Merable announced yesterday.

On Christmas night, Hal King and his band, which played at The Cellar's successful Thanksgiving dance, will furnish music for dancers. Norman Ray and two women vocalists will be featured.

Woody Ryan's Southern Colonels are to play at a New Year's eve dance in The Cellar. Ryan will come to Charleston direct from an engagement in Dallas, Texas. Novelties will be given free to guests.

EBERT-KREADY XMAS PARTY

The Ebert-Kready missionary society met at the country home of Mrs. Arch Russell, Thursday afternoon and enjoyed a Christmas party and program, during which, gifts were exchanged by the members. The home was attractively decorated with Christmas greens and a lighted tree. Mrs. Kate Harris, co-hostess with Mrs. Russell, was unable to be present because of illness.

THEATER TO GIVE FREE MOVIE FOR CHILDREN

The Malone theater's Christmas present to children living in and near Sikeston will be nine reels of comedies and animated cartoons, to be shown at the theater at 10:30 Friday morning.

All boys and girls are invited to attend.

New Embalmer at Dempster's

Hubert Bivens of Hayti began working Monday as an embalmer and salesman at the Dempster Furniture and Undertaking Company. Mr. Bivens is a graduate of the Hohenschuh-Carpenter College of Embalming in St. Louis and was formerly employed by the Ray Undertaking Company in Hayti. He succeeds R. E. Patterson.

LIONS GET 800 ITEMS OF FOOD AT MOVIE

More than 800 items of staple and perishable food were given by children Saturday morning as admission to an annual movie sponsored by the Lions club in co-operation with the Malone theatre. At least 700 boys and girls attended the show.

The staples included all kinds of company and home canned fruits and vegetables, sweet and Irish potatoes, turnips, onions, canned milk, oranges, apples, sugar, salt, soup, cookies, dried prunes, beans, and peas, nuts, and breakfast foods.

E. F. Schorle and M. M. Beck, who had charge of the show and donations, distributed perishable foods last week-end. Staples will be divided equally among Sikeston churches for inclusion in Christmas baskets for the poor.

PARTY GIVEN FRIDAY FOR TELEPHONE CO. EMPLOYES

Women employes of the Southeast Missouri Telephone Company attended an annual Christmas party in their lounge room at the company's office on Front street Friday evening.

A handkerchief shower for Miss Marie Wilson, the evening chief operator here who began Monday to work as chief operator in the Kennett telephone office, was given in conjunction with the party.

Refreshments were served after those attending had exchanged gifts and played lotto.

Mrs. Orviline Simpson, formerly evening chief operator in the Sikeston office, will take Miss Wilson's place here temporarily.

CLUB TO GIVE DANCE FOR FOOTBALL PLAYERS, GRADS

The Red Peppers will entertain in the high school gymnasium Wednesday evening with a dance in honor of the football players. School alumni are being invited to attend as guests.

A popular orchestra of Cape Girardeau will play.

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Jesse W. Barrett, late Republican candidate for Governor who claimed in a speech delivered in Sikeston that he would defeat Major Stark by over two hundred thousand votes, failed to accomplish the fact, now is much interested in Major Stark's appointments as Police Commissioners. Perhaps the Major will consult Barrett as to all major appointments and then perhaps not.

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It is interesting to see that the latest figure crowding the mourners' bench and making public profession of pentitence and sorrow is none other than our old friend, the National Association of Manufacturers. Welcome, brother; we hope your economic conversion is not subject to backsliding.

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The report of a wedding in a nearby city stated the bride wore a ratine crepe dress and carried accessories to match. It was not stated just what the accessories consisted of so each one can imagine in their minds eye just what she did carry and why she didn't have them on.

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LITTLE RIVER DRAINAGE DITCHES ARE CLEARED

Cape Girardeau, Mo., Dec. 21.—In a period of eighteen months virtually all of the ditches in the area included in the Little river drainage district have been cleared of willow growth in addition to the large amount of work done in the district under excavation contract. During this past year alone 457.37 miles of ditches have been placed under contract for clearing out willows and other tree growth and contracts also have been awarded for 100 miles of ditches in which the excavation amounted to 482,000 cubic yards.

In September a contract was let for the widening of Ditch 1 involving 758,000 cubic yards of excavation, and in October, another contract was let for widening Ditch 24, from its mouth for several miles north, and one for Ditch 1 north of Ditch 24 for several miles. There will be a minimum of 200,000 cubic yards of excavation in this project.

The maintenance work of the system has been divided into three classes, the headwater system, the lower, or main district, and the west extension. All of this work has called for a liberal expenditure of funds, but drainage district officials feel that the service rendered to the landowners of Southeast Missouri in increased drainage facilities will many times offset the expense.

The comprehensive plan of rehabilitation, which, when completed, will see the drainage district's ditches restored nearly to original capacity for usefulness, has been dependent upon the response of landowners in meeting their drainage assesments promptly, drainage officials said. The response from many has been satisfactory, but back assessments are yet due on many lands.

Approximately 800 suits have been filed in the circuit courts of the seven counties in which the benefited land is located, by the drainage officials seeking to enforce the collection of the taxes in order that the program might go ahead and not be hampered and the great amount of beneficial work already done might be no less effective because of failure to complete the program. Some of these drainage assessments are still unpaid for the years of 1934 and prior, and other suits were filed on the assessments which became delinquent in 1935.

In past months the drainage district has acquired considerable land in the seven counties of the area. Much of this land has been resold to farmers and others interested in development of the fertile area. The district plans to dispose of all of this land to any person interested in purchasing it.

During the coming year, as during the past year, drainage officials will stress the importance of keeping the drainage ditches open, asking that farmers or their tenants do not place such structures in these ditches which will tend to cause them to become blocked and fill up. In recent years, the cost of the maintenance program has been increased, it was explained, by so many fences and like structures being placed in the ditches and causing them to fill up, thus necessitating an expensive cleaning out process.

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MISSOURI HISTORY

Courtesy Missouri Historical Society

Death of Payton R. Hayden

In a day when Missouri was widely known for the number of its distinguished lawyers, Payton R. Hayden, pioneer lawyer of Boonville and the first attorney admitted to the practice of law in Cooper county, is acknowledged without exception by historians of the Missouri bar to have been one of the ablest lawyers in the State. Among his contemporaries with whom he regularly rode the circuit of Cooper county courts and by whom he was held in high esteem, personally and professionally, were Hamilton R. Gamble, later governor of Missouri, Abiel Leonard, George Tompkins, Cyrus Edward, Andrew McGirk, John F. Ryland, all future judges of the Missouri Supreme Court, and Duff Green, Missouri lawyer who became nationally prominent as a newspaper editor and writer.

Hayden, like many of his legal contemperaries, attained a position in the foremost ranks of the Missouri bar through the diligent applications of his own efforts. Unlike many of them, however, he never corrected the limitations of common school education, not even, so it is said, by the reading of a newspaper. Notwithstanding this shortcoming, which at times made him an amusing victim of his friends and of the court as a result of his imperfect knowledge of geographical, historical and classical subjects, Hayden stood high in the personal and professional esteem of his comtemporaries. Few, if any, excelled him in the knowledge of the law and Hayden's Digest, as Hayden called it, which was his own synopsis of every case in which he was retained with citations of all the authorities upon which he relied, was known and respected from the highest to the lowest court in Missouri.

Hayden was born near Paris, Kentucky, on February 8, 1796. At the early age of fifteen years he entered the law office of Judge Benjamin Mills, a prominent lawyer of northern Kentucky. Here he faithfully pursued his studies until he was twenty-one when he moved to Franklin in Howard county, Missouri, which place at that time was considered the most desirable in the territory for the practice of law. Before securing his license and entering upon the practice of law, he taught school for a year at Franklin where he numbered among his young pupils the celebrated Kit Carson.

In the spring of 1819, Hayden journeyed on horseback to St. Louis to procure a license to practice law from the State Supreme Court. On his return he stopped at St. Charles where he met Abiel Loonard, recently arrived in the territory from New York. The future distinguished lawyer, who was then but twenty-two, is said to have brought all his worldly goods with him tied in a handkerchief at the end of a stick. After talking with Hayden, Leonard decided to accompany him back to Franklin where, a week later, Hayden secured for him his first case. Later, the two were to become leaders of the Missouri bar and to be on opposite sides in almost every importent case. The characteristic gesture of friendship and kindliness on the part of Hayden for the young and untried lawyer, Leonard, not only won for him the life-long friendship of Leonard but was expressive of a characteristic which in later life warmly attached to him the younger member of the bar.

The same year that he secured his license to practice law, Hayden married a sister of Judge Washington Adams and established himself at Boonville where he continued to reside until his death. Cooper county, at the time, embraced a large territory extending from the Osage river on the east and south to the territorial line on the west of which the population was approximately 7,000. Over this extensive region Hayden traveled on horseback in company with his fellow lawyers among whom he is said to have been the life of the party on long and weary journeys during which his geneality, his kindliness and his ready humor and repartee helped to break the monotony of constant traveling.

In the practice of law, Hayden was noted for the energy and zeal with which he advocated the cases of his clients. The repeated appearance of his name in the early volumes of the Supreme Court reports indicate the frequency with which he was demanded as counsel by one or the other side in important legal cases. Had he been a financier, he might, in the opinion of Bay, have accumulated a large fortune. Instead, he seems to have had little knowledge of the importance of money, to have been imposed upon by appeals for charity, to have charged small fees and frequently to have failed to collect. Before the court he was a strong, vigorous and argumentative speaker, who, though he he never indulged in fights of oratory, seldom failed to impress a jury.

When Mr. Hayden died at his home in Boonville on December 26, 1855, the Supreme court of Missouri passed a resolution to wear mourning for thirty days.

DILLMAN TO WRESTLE McEUIN WEDNESDAY

After a long absence, Joe Dillman will return to the Sikeston arena Wednesday night. Dillman will meet Billy McEuin in the main event of the Legion's card.

In the preliminary, Chief Little Wolf, the Yakima Indian who defeated Jack Barnett here two weeks ago, will wrestle Joe Kirk, a 170-pounder from Milwaukee.

The Hayti Jolly Boys' string band will entertain fans between the falls.

ONE MOMENT PLEASE

By Fay Kerr

Recently the District of Columbia School Board barred out of the Washington public schools the weekly Scholastic for advocating a policy it stated in these words; "We Will not accept conscription of our bodies for the army and navy without an equally complete conscription of the capital and profits of industry."

One member of the School Board declared in scandalized tones; "Why, such an attitude is the next thing to Communism," and out went the magazine from the schools of the capital.

If I have a son old enough to be conscripted during a war, I have invested in him many dollars. If he has a University education it has cost me from five to ten thousand dollars. The upkeep of a child from his birth to the age of twenty-one will cost from one hundred to one thousand dollars per year. Food, clothing, doctor's and dentists's bills, are not mean items to the family in moderate circumstances. I think a conservative estimate of the cash value of a University graduate would be fifteen or twenty thousand dollars. This only takes into account the sum spent by the parents. The school taxes paid by society and other factors contributing to the support of the institutions from which he graduated are extra. Without reliable statistics I could not estimate the total cost of graduating an individual.

I not only have much money invested in my son but twenty-one years of loving care that should be worth something. The hours of labor—watchful nursing during illness, anxiety and concern for his general welfare, hours of teaching and admonition—can not be estimated unless you multiply twenty-four hours a day by the number of days of his life. Any mother will tell you that the price of her boy is her own heart. Huge sums are collected each year by individuals suing for "heart-balm." How much is a human heart worth?

Yes, if I had a bank account of twenty thousand dollars and a son old enough to go to war and had to choose between them I would say take the money. I can't imagine any parent hesitating.

If it is Communism to believe that boys lives more valuable than dollars then I am a Communist. If a government has the right to take my boy, whom I love and in whom I have so much money and labor invested, and send him to war, the same government has the right to take your money, your factory, or any product in your possession. I am strong for the conscription of property and capital. When they who have money are in danger of losing their possessions because of war there will be some real effort made to keep peace. When everybody thinks peace, talks peace, and lives for peace there will be no war agitation—and war is a result of agitation. When nobody can gain anything by war there will be no war.

The high authorities of both army and navy have announced they are ready to introduce a bill giving the Government power, in time of war, to draft industrial executives, commandeer factories, fix prices, establish rationing and regulate the sale, use, transportation or manufacture of any product. It is a bill for the conscription of capital. I hope is introduced and passes.

I believe the passage of such a bill would make for peace. If we should be invaded and be forced to defend ourselves everything we have—life and property—could be used in the emergency.

It is inconsistent to say you have a right to take my son but my purse is sacred.

AGREES WITH EDITOR ABOUT MYERS ARTICLE

Editor Standard:

It seems peculiar, that some people are so narrow as to think that if Sikeston would repeal it's anti-gambling ordinance that it would nullify the state law. It is too bad we are so poorly represented. Anyway, the "slots" gave the drays a job and moved out of town.

As to judge Myers' article, you were no more surprised than some of the rest of us. Past of my education must have been neglected for I was led to believe that it was a judge's duty to expound the laws and see that they were applied.

However, when I get to thinking of what nation of law-breakers we have become and that I am one of the moral cowards that stood idly by and let this country get into the "heck" of a mess it is, just on account of the lack of application of the Law of God, nation, state, and municipality, I am heartily ashamed and proud that we have a Junior Chamber of Commerce composed of young real "he men" who take a stand for the general uplift, and I would be the last man to try to throw a "monkey wrench in their machinery".

Even our fashionable rabble of notoriety chasers who got their faces gently slapped for their corrupt influence abroad by the Bishop of Canterbury—and he did it in defense of the constitution of Great Britain, the rules of the Church of England backed by the Biblical law—are trying to besmear him.

As usual, when you step on the devil he squeals about his injured inocense and encroachment on his personal liberty.

We should all be thankful for the Junior Chamber of Commerce, the Kiwanis Club, and the ministers and their folks who entered the protest.

Never mind the "gnat" and the "camel", judge! Just don't try to make a "mountain out of a mole hill".—J. A. O'Hara.

A rooster of Ralleyville, Va., recently laid a dozen eggs, five of which hatched. The fowl was taken to laboratories of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, where various egg-laying diets were administered. But to no avail. A dozen eggs is apparently enough for any rooster to lay. The chicken was shipped back to its owner, E. E. Harrison.

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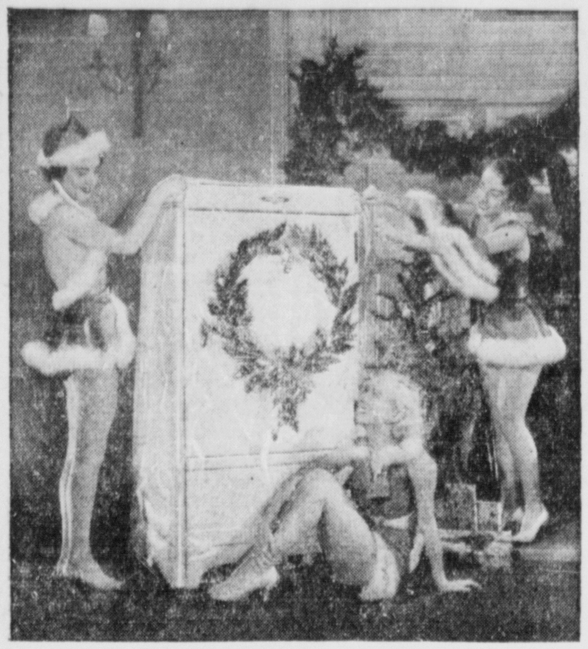

It looks as though this Christmas will be a frigid one, aver these charming Santyettes from Hollywood. In a preview of what the holiday season has to offer good girls, Phyllis Moore, Helen McDonald and Jean Lewis found Kris Kringle had deposited a brand new Frigidaire in front of their fireplace. The girls are in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's "After the Thin Man."

Personal and Society News From Morley

(From last week)

Rev. Charley Miller of Fort Worth, Tex., was a visitor at the C. A. Stallings home Thursday evening while en route from his home to Lutesville to visit his father, who was seriously ill. Rev. Miller was pastor of the Baptist church here in 1930-31.

Mrs. Rex Boyce and daughter, Jane, Mrs. C. D. Cummins and two daughters, Mavourun and June and Mrs. Harris Foster of Cape Girardeau spent Saturday shopping in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. George Yount and children visited Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Yount's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wright near Essex.

Mr. and Mrs. Clint Bugg were in St. Louis over the week end.

Mesdames Guy Vanduser and Charles Pruitt of Independence, Kansas came Tuesday for Mr. and Mrs. George Jacabs parents of the former, who will spend the holidays in Kansas.

Mr. Roy Landerdale of St. Louis came down Saturday to visit his sister, Mrs. L. W. Reville, and among friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Cline Schatz and family moved to Oran Monday.

The Senior play "Full of Youth" under the direction of Miss Cecile Cassiday is to be given at the High School Gymnasium Thursday night, December 17.

Mr. J. E. Smith made a business trip to Malden Monday.

Mrs. J. W. Mull left Tuesday for St. Louis to spend several weeks with her sons, Will and Dan Mull and daughter, Mrs. Amanda Harrison.

A crew of more than 20 men have been clearing land in the North Cut Cypress the past two days under the direction of Forrest Watson.

A Xmas program will be presented at the Baptist church Wednesday evening, December 23.

Mrs. Eugenia Tomlinson came down from Oran Friday to spent the day at the C. A. Stallings home.

Jimmy, the 13 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Howle May, was painfully injured Saturday evening when he caught a ride on a truck which was leaving town. The truck increased speed so quickly, Jimmy was afraid to let loose his hold and was dragged the length of the spur, when the truck stopped at the intersection of Highway 61. His knees had deep holes cut in them and the toes of his shoes were worn through. Anti-tetanus serum was administered Monday. The driver was unaware of the boy's plight.

Jackie and Sue Finney returned home Sunday evening from a week end visit with their paternal grandmother in Cape Girardeau.

Mr. Ernest Graves of Pocatello, Idaho, arrived Friday for a visit with his sister, Mrs. Alford Bryant. Mr. Graves was en route to his home from a trip to New York.

Curtis Livingston, a colored man farming with Mr. Charley Diamond on the old Benton road, lost his household goods by fire when a lamp exploded Thursday morning.

The W. M. S. of the Methodist church held their monthly program meeting with Mrs. C. F. Porter Thursday. Mrs. Marion Murphy served as leader. A plate lunch was served by the hostess at the conclusion.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Vaughn and Mrs. Forrest Watson were Cape Girardeau business visitors Monday.

A double-header basketball game with Benton Tuesday night resulted in a victory for Morley girls 30 to 20, while Benton boys won with a score of 18 to 6.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Vaughn and children spent Sunday at Portageville with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jones and daughter.

Personal and Society News From Oran

(From last week)

Miss Louanna Fulenwider spent the week end with Miss Veda Harley in Perkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Bujeans were Sunday afternoon visitors in Sikeston.

Mrs. Hannah Sillman of St. Louis has been visited at the Chas. Carter home the past three weeks.

Mrs. Harold Mercer and Mrs. Dolph Sikes were Cape Girardeau visitors Tuesday of last week.

Mrs. M. W. Roger of Cape Girardeau visited friends here last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Whitledge of Cape Girardeau were Sunday afternoon visitors at the Dr. Winters home.

Mrs. Clemson expects to spend the Christmas holidays in Tuscalvosa, Ala., at the Duckworth home.

Mesdames Tom Baty, Luther Cook and Flora Tindall were business visitors in Sikeston Wednesday.

Mrs. Clyde Poe and Mrs. Tom Baty attended the Democratic club meeting in Benton Saturday.

Miss Ethel Beward is home from a two week's visit in Michigan.

Mrs. Jack Johnson and Mrs. Arthur of Sikeston were guests at the Jennings home Tuesday of last week.

Mrs. Bob Wade is a medical patient in a Cape Girardeau hospital.

J. A. Sites was a business visitor in St. Louis last week.

John Gosche has a new Chevrolet.

Jack Maddox is home from Memphis where he has been employed.

Mr. and Mrs. Sikes spent Wednesday of last week at the Tony Gosche home in Camey helping hitcher.

Mrs. Albert Soehlig and son Floyd are home from a several days visit in Osceola, Ark., at the Otto Davenport home.

Mr. Hanselman has had his house painted recently.

Albert Soehlig has had his house wired for electric lights and a new radio installed.

Mrs. Alma McBride visited in Cape Girardeau a couple of days recently.

Orville Elsperman and family were here from Sikeston recently.

Mrs. Lillian Barnett is home from Michigan, called here by the illness of her mother, Mrs. Brann who has been a surgical patient in a Cape Girardeau hospital the past three weeks.

Messrs George and Arnold Stehr killed hogs Monday.

Miss Marie Myers was operated on Wednesday of last week in Barnes hospital in St. Louis for appendicitis. She is improving nicely.

Little Joan Dunning celebrated her fourth birthday, December 8th at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Oliver. Nine little folks were present and had a fine time. A special number Mickey Mouse Birthday party was sung for the the little folks over station KFVS.

ENGINEER RETURNS TO NEW MADRID CCC CAMP

C. H. Torreyson, research engineer for the U. B. bureau of agricultural engineering, has returned to his headquarters at the CCC camp at New Madrid.

For the past month and a half he has been working with the drainage camps in Kentucky and southern Indiana, where he has been establishing the bureau's research program, the study of the flow of water in drainage ditches.

Joe: "Wouldn't your mother be terribly angry with you if she saw you in those shorts?"

Josie: "I expect she would. They're hers."

Personal and Society News from Pleasant Valley

(From last week)

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Larcom had as their guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Ramsey and children.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Boardman had as their guests over the week end their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Hughes Blake and daughter, Carolyn and Mr. John Baer of Granite City, Ill.

Misses Vera Shelton and Lillie Allen spent Thursday night with Miss Myrtle Jones of near Dogwood.

Miss Vera Shelton, Vernon Shelton and Raymond Dame spent the week end with relatives and friends near Steele.

Junior Cox and Mary Williams ate supper at the Dame home Friday night.

Clyde Dame is leaving for Michigan, Monday night where he is employed.

Raymond Allen and Junior Larcom spent Sunday with Robert and Ogle Miller.

James Larcom spent Sunday with Opal Miller.

Luther Stanfill spent Sunday with Gale Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Stanfill had as their guests Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Allen and children Anna and Juanita, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McElyea and family of Campbell.

Miss Ruby and Jack Tanner visited Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Boardman and family Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Williams had as their guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Wallace and son, John Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Rolley Riley and family, Mrs. Fern McCain, Mrs. Eunice Williams, Mr. and Mrs. John Williams and children Wanda Marie and Charles Wesley and Monteen McCann.

Sherman Ramsey returned home after a couple weeks ramble to Dalas and Ft. Worth Tex., and Kansas City, Mo.

Well it will soon be moving day for quite a number of people through this section.

The Pleasant Valley folks wish all the good old Standard readers a very Merry Christmas.

The biggest rush of cruiser construction in the United States Navy's history has reached its peak of activity bringing employment at the different Navy Yards throughout the country to record peace time highs.

1937 AAA PROGRAM TO BE LIKE THIS YEAR'S

The new 1937 AAA agricultural conservation program, which was worked out after meetings of farmers in all parts of the country, has just been announced, according to Carl O. Luper, chairman of the Scott County Agricultural Conservation Association.

"A better balanced and more profitable system of farming," he says, "is the goal of the new program. It seeks to encourage the planting of crops and the use of practices that will maintain and restore productivity. Through the AAA program, the government is offering to share with farmers the expense of conserving and improving their own and the nation's soil resources.

"The growing crops has a secondary result in tending to maintain farm income by encouraging the shifting of lands that have been devoted to the production of surplus crops for which foreign markets are lacking. These surplus crops were hit hardest by low prices during the depression.

"The general outlines of the 1937 program are like the 1936 program, with changes, recommended by farmers, designed to meet changed conditions. Payments will be made to farmers who meet specified conditions for shifting up to 15 per cent of the acreage in their soil depleting bases from soil depleting to soil conserving uses, and for carrying out approved practices. The soil-depleting base for each participating farm will be the starting point for measuring payments.

"Because of the sidespread destruction by drought of established stands and new seedings of soil-conserving crops, the program is designed to encourage increases in soil-conserving crops and permits the planting of emergency pasture and hay crops to take the place of seedings destroyed by the drought in 1936. Farmers whose soil-conserving crops were entirely destroyed will have opportunity to qualify for full payment by matching acres shifted from soil depleting use with new seedings of soil-conserving crops.

"The proportion of total payments which may be earned in 1937 through practices which maintain and restore productivity will be greater than in 1936 on farms which normally have a large percentage of crop land devoted to soil-conserving uses, on farms where the production of fruit or vegetables is the major enterprise, and on dry land farms in the western part of the north central region.

"Corn acreage limits will be established for individual farms in areas where corn for grain is a major crop. The corn acreage limit will conform to good conservation practices and, on the average, will be slightly less than the 1936 planted acreage of corn.

"The range program, which applied only to the western region in 1936, has been extended to include range lands in the western part of the north central region."

WILBUR ENSOR CHOSEN DISTRICT SCOUT CHAIRMAN

Wilbur Ensor was elected chairman of the Sikeston Scout district at a dinner meeting of Scouters at the Marshall hotel Thursday night.

Mr. Ensor, who succeeds Clay A. Mitchell, has for long been prominent in Scouting activities and at the time of his election was serving as district commissioner.

Scouters also chose Robert Dempster district finance chairman to succeed C. C. Scott, and elected Tharon Stallings commissioner.

More than thirty persons attended the meeting, including representatives of Sikeston civic organizations. C. G. Morrison of Cape Girardeau, Scout executive of the Southeast Missouri area council, and Mr. Scott gave annual reports, and short talks were made by George W. Kirk, president of the area council, and by Arnold Roth of Cape Girardeau, who has charge of the American Legion's Scouting activities in the old fourteenth congressional district.

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● PACER is different from any sock you've ever seen. Because it has a perfect-fitting *washable* garter already attached. Quick . . . convenient . . . CLEAN . . . as great an improvement as the collar-attached shirt—and just as simple! Patterns inspired by Esquire. Quality certified by Better Fabrics Testing Bureau. Slip on your first pair, and you'll be a convert to PACER for life! 55¢

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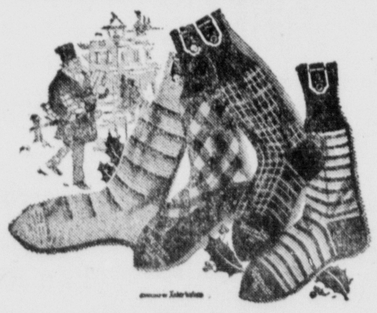

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35c and 50c

Distinctive INITIAL Jewelry BY Hickok

"Smart!" you'll say, when you see your initials on the latest Hickok tie clips—chain or bar type. Their enduring golden lustre sets off the mannish black letters on platinum-tone. This distinguished jewelry is practical... serviceable... with its smooth-working Hickok alligator grip—and Hickok excellence through and through. Here's utility—fine style—INDIVIDUALITY!

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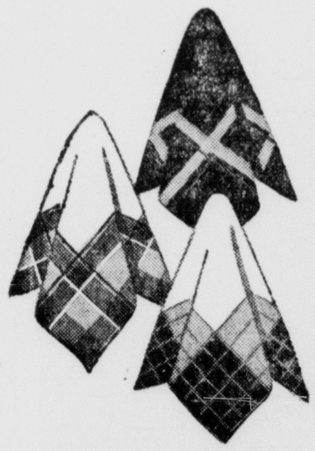

Setting Off Exercises

To set off a suit, tuck a handkerchief in the breast pocket. Not ANY handkerchief, but an ARROW! Then you can be sure that this final deft touch is definitely masculine and definitely CORRECT. ● 25¢ up

Rabhor Robes
$5 to $15

Evans Slippers
$1.95 to $3.95

Today's most popular Suspenders

PIONEER STREAMLOX BRACES

Streamlox Braces take a firm grip on your trouser-tops but never tear them $1

They *clip* on with handsome clasps — instead of buttoning! Clever, good-looking, smartly styled in beautiful fabrics, try a pair of these trim braces . . . and learn for yourself why they've become America's favorite "uplifters!"

Other features from makers whose advdrtisements appear from time to time in Esquire Magazine: Hart Schaffner & Marx Clothes at $35; Alligator Raincoats; Jarman Friendly Five Shoes; Samson Gladrobes; Val-a-Pak Wardrobes: Wilson Bros. Furnishing Goods; Dobbs Hats; California Sportswear.

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Lovely ladies love to lounge . . . but they must lounge beautifully! Give elegance, luxury, beauty and comfort . . . give her a negligee! We can't hope to give you an idea in words . . . but see our grand collection of hostess gowns, negligees, pajamas and robes in a panorama of glowing colors and rich materials. Misses sizes.

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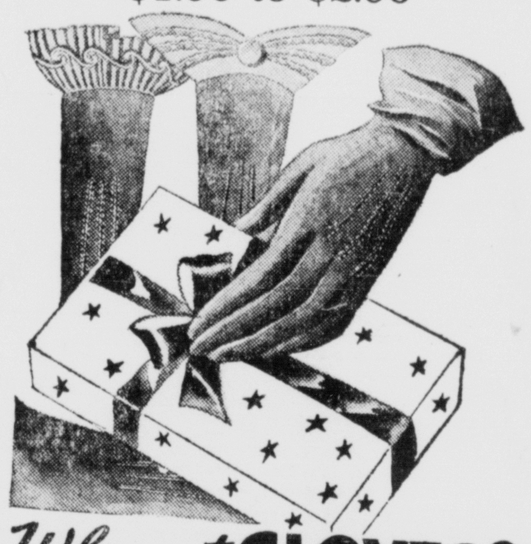

Why not GLOVES?

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Gifts for Old and Young

$3.95 and $4.95

Christmas Lingerie

There's nothing that will express your very best Christmas wishes so beauitfully as exquisite lingerie! Give the kind that every woman cherishes . . . creamy luscious satin dripping with lace! Enchantingly feminine gowns are full cut and beautifully long. Slips fit to perfection and their seams are fine and firm. Pajamas and dancettes too, are visions of loveliness!

GIFTS in good taste and well received

HERCULES

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"The New Comfort Companion"

A warm cuddly cape to wear at breakfast, playing bridge, as a bed jacket, on the porch, or even in an automobile. Ideal for the "hard-to-please" on your Christmas list — no size or age problems. Buy one for yourself or you'll never be able to part with your gifts.

Pure wool-worsted, dovetex, some embellished with silk, a variety of colors, weaves, and flattering styles. Priced from 2.95 to 3.95.

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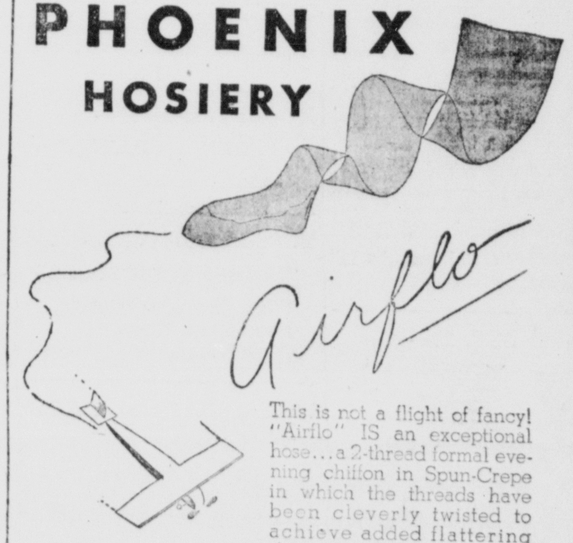


Airflo

This is not a flight of fancy! "Airflo" IS an exceptional hose...a 2-thread formal evening chiffon in Spun-Crepe in which the threads have been cleverly twisted to achieve added flattering sheerness and extra wearing qualities.

Especially desirable is the improved Custom Fit Top.

Lovely to look at...both as to color and texture. Be sure to see the exciting new Fall shades so adaptable to your autumn ensembles.

$1.15

DEAR SANTA

December 18, 1936

Dear Santa Claus:

I will write you what I want for Christmas. I am in the 4th grade. I am a good girl. My teacher's name is Mrs. Janes W. Berry. We are all in a program. I want a doll and a pocket book and a parnite.

Your friend,
Edith Irene Gray.
Route 2, Oran, Mo.

Oran, Mo.
December 21, 1936

Dear Santa Claus:

I am going to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a B-B gun a coster wagon and a ball. I am nine years old and am in the third grade. I try to be good. Please don't forget other little boys and girls.

Your little friend,
Walie Eugene Gray.

Oran, Mo.
December 21, 1936

Dear Sana Claus:

I am writing you a few lines to let you know I am going to school everyday. My teacher's name is Eula Smith. Santa I am 6 years old. I am a good girl. I am in the first grade.

I want a big baby doll and a ball set of dishes. Don't forget Mama.

Your friend,
Esther Gray.

Sikeston, Mo.
December 3, 1936

Dear Santa:

I have been a good little girl and I hope you will remember me Christmas. I want a doll, some blocks and some candy, oranges and apples.

Lovingly,
Ruth Orr.

Sikeson, Mo.
December 3, 1936

Dear Santa:

I want a bicycle and a cash register and a gun and some candy, some oranges, and some nuts. I have two little nephews don't forget them. I am a good little boy. My age is 7. Bring Mother and Father something too.

Your little boy,
C. D. Alcorn.

Sikeston, Mo.
December 16, 1936

Dear Santa Claus:

I saw you up town but there was so many kids hanging onto you I didn't get a chance to tell you so will write you a letter. I want a doll a new dress a pair of white gloves and some candy. My brothers Phil and Bob fight so much it will be ok if you just skip them but Roy is a good kid don't forget him and please Santa bring Bro. Oglesby, Mrs. Mouser, Miss Welter and Father Woods all something real nice. Santa Claus I live on Baker Lane.

Your friend,
Betty Waldman.

MALONE THEATRE

Sikeston, Missouri

Everything for your entertainment and comfort.

LAST SHOWING!

MONDAY, DEC. 21—

"Banjo On My Knee"

With Barbara Stanwyck and Joel McCrea.

Paramount News.

Comedy and Specialty.

TUESDAY, DEC. 22—

"Mad Holiday"

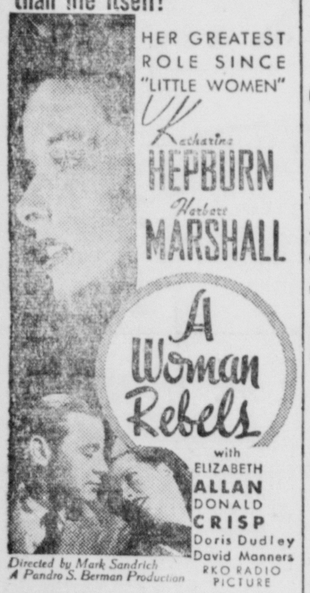
With Edward Everett Horton.

Comedy.

Pictorial and Specialty.

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, DEC. 23-24—

The heart-storming drama of a love that meant more than life itself!



Comedy, "Oklahoma As Is"
Musical.

FRIDAY, DEC. 25—

Paramount News.
"Mickey's Circus".
Comedy "Pay As You Exit".

There will be no Pal Night Friday, Dec. 25—

REX THEATRE

Sikeston, Mo.

LAST SHOWING!

MONDAY, DEC. 21—

"Easy To Take"

With Marsha Hunt and John Howard.
Comedy "Slum Fun".

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22-23-24—

Pal Nights

2 adults admitted for the price of one. All children 10c.

"North of Nome"

With Jack Holt and Evelyn Venable.
Comedy "Having Fun"

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, DEC. 25-26—

KEN MAYNARD

in

"Fugitive Sheriff"

Comedy.
Serial "Fighting Marine" —No. 6.

American Theatre

Charleston, Missouri

LAST SHOWING

MONDAY, DEC. 21—

"BORN TO DANCE"

Comedy.

TUESDAY, DEC. 22—

"UNDER YOUR SPELL"

With Lawrence Tibbett.
Paramount News.
Comedy.

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, DEC. 23-24—

"WHITE HUNTER"

With Warner Boxter and June Lang.
Comedy.

FRIDAY, DEC. 25—

BING CROSBY
in
"PENNIES FROM HEAVEN"

There will be no Pal Night Friday.

CONFIDENCE GAME VICTIMS INCREASE; TWO MORE FLEECED

Fred Woodall, 27-year-old farmer residing near Holcomb, and James Webb, Bragg City youth, are the most recent victims of "Mr. Bird," smooth-talking confidence man who is believed to be the same person who worked the "old army game" at New Madrid last week.

The mysterious Mr. Bird arrived in Kennett last Sunday night and got acquainted with Webb at a tavern. The following Tuesday afternoon, Bird and Webb drove to Holcomb where they met Woodall.

Bird brought the two boys back to Kennett and asked them if they wished to double their money. He had a secret solution that, if applied to money, would increase its value, he told them.

Woodall put $190 into Mr. Bird's money-making machine constructed of crude lumber and fashioned after a washing machine roller. Webb put $15 in the device.

Bird then informed the boys that new one dollar bills would work better and suggested that he and Webb drive to Kennett for some new money. They departed and left Woodall to guard the homemade mint.

After a few hours, Woodall grew suspicious and examined the money-maker. It was found to contain several blank slips of paper, Webb was arrested in Kennett after Prosecuting Attorney Elbert Ford indicated he would file charges of obtaining money under false pretenses against the youth.

Mr. Bird left Webb in Kennett and drove away in a gray-colored V-8 Ford coach bearing an Arkansas license.

Trooper Pete Scott recovered the money-maker and also paper which bears the imprint of a five dollar bill.—Poplar Bluff Daily American Republic.

CRITES POULTRY FLOCK RANKS FIRST IN COUNTY

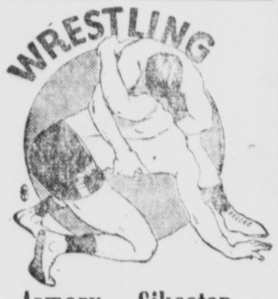
The T. S. Crites poultry flock ranked first among the Scott county poultry record keepers. This flock of white leghorn pullets produced an average of eighteen eggs per bird during November, and at a cost of about 15 cents per dozen eggs. Other flocks have not produced as heavily and showed a loss for the month.

It will probably be two months before chicks will be hatched or purchased, however, it is time now to select wisely the source of next year's flock. Chicks from flocks in which the hens have been carefully selceted on the basis of vigor, egg production, and mated with a pedigreed rooster, cost but very little more than chicks from unknown origin.

It is also important that chicks come from flocks that have been blood tested for pullorium disease. Strong healthy chicks, together with proper feed and good management, are prerequisites for a profitable poultry flock.

Roger Bailey returned Friday night from Little Rock, Ark., where he went Tuesday on business.

Mrs. L. R. Kingsland, who has been receiving medical attention in Hot Springs, Ark., since Thanksgiving, will go to St. Louis for the Christmas holidays.



Armory—Sikeston
Wednesday, Dec. 23
At 8:15 P. M.

JOE DILLMAN
Greece—Wt. 194 lbs.
vs.
BILLY McEUIN
Laredo—Wt. 187 lbs.

CHIEF LITTLE WOLF
Tacoma—Wt. 170 lbs.
vs.
JOE KIRK
Milwaukee—Wt. 170 lbs.
Both matches 90 min. time.
Best 2 out 3 falls.

Hayti Jolly Boys String Band will entertain between falls.

Mike Meroney, Referee

FRED P. CROSS SUCCUMBS AFTER THREE-DAY ILLNESS

Fred P. Cross died in a McComb, Miss., hospital Thursday afternoon following a three-day ilness seven physicians were unable to diagnose.

Relatives said Mr. Cross rose Tuesday morning and lit a cigarette. After smoking it, however, he lay down again. Mrs. Cross asked if he were ill: "Everything is getting dark," he told her.

Mr. Cross did not speak again. When he lost consciousness soon afterward, Mrs. Cross took him to a nearby hospital, where he was given numerous tests. His reaction to each was negative. He succumbed at 3:30.

After brief funeral services at the First Baptist church in McComb Friday morning, Mr. Cross' body was sent here. Friends accompanied Mrs. Cross and her son, Fred P. Cross, Jr., to Sikeston, arriving at 2:34 o'clock Saturday morning.

Funeral services were held at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Cross' uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Mocabee, 222 West Gladys street. The Rev. Verne F. Oglesby, pastor of the Baptist church here, preached. Burial was in the city cemetery.

Mr. Cross was born at Whiteville, Tenn., on July 22, 1894. He came here in 1914 to work in the clothing department of the Farmers' Supply Company, then managed by A. Ray Smith, and on September 19, 1916, he was married to Miss Bess Johnson, a daughter of Claude Johnson. A year later, he and Mrs. Cross moved to Caruthersville, where they resided for three years. They had been residents of McComb for the last sixteen years. Mr. Cross was a certified public accountant.

Mr. Cross' father died fourteen years ago, and his mother succumbed when he was 14 years old. Besides his wife and son, he is survived by two sisters, Mrs. J. B. Bennett of Los Angeles and Mrs. Georgia Pennington of Jacksonville, Fla. Albritton service.

60,000 TO WORK SINCE BEER WAS LEGALIZED

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.—Approximately 60,000 persons whose annual wages totaled $107,000,000 have been added directly to the payrolls of the breweries of the United States since real beer was legalized in 1933.

Data compiled by the bureau of labor statistics, United States department of labor, show that employment in the brewing industry had increased 353 per cent and payrolls had increased 521 per cent in August, 1936, as compared with February, 1933.

Applying these percentages to its data on the brewing industry, the National Institute of Manufacturers and Distributors, Inc., finds that they represent 60,000 additional employees and $107,000,000 increase in annual payrolls.

The total employment in the 700 breweries operating in August, 1936, was 76,700 persons whose wages on an annual basis would total $127,300,000. In February, 1933, there were only 164 breweries, which were manufacturing near beer, with about 17,000 employees and an annual payroll of approximately $20,500,000.

The effect of the legalization of real beer on the unemployment situation, however, is not completely indicated by these data, for the increased employment in the distribution of beer is not included. Wholesale distributors of beer in August, 1936, were giving employment to more than 46,000 persons whose annual wages totaled about $64,000,000. In addition retail distributors employ approximately 350,000 persons and it is estimated that about 150,000 persons have been given employment in manufacturing and merchandising supplies and equipment for brewers and their distributors.

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When You Need a Laxative

Thousands of men and women know how wise it is to take Black-Draught at the first sign of constipation. They like the refreshing relief it brings. They know its timely use may save them from feeling badly and possibly losing time at work from sickness brought on by constipation.

If you have to take a laxative occasionally, you can rely on

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Turkey Shoot

December 21-22

50 Nice Turkeys To Be Shot Off

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Shoot Starts at 1:30 each day

LLOYD W. KING PRAISES SIKESTON SCHOOL SYSTEM

Praise for the Sikeston public school system is contained in a letter Lloyd W. King, state superintendent of schools, wrote R. E. Bailey after H. B. Masterson of Hayti, a high school supervisor, had inspected the schools. Mr. Bailey is secretary of the board of education.

In his letter Mr. King commended Sikeston particularly for its "well-trained administrative and teaching personnel", for work done in the opportunity room for the proper organization of the system and the satisfactory distribution of pupils, and for the high school curriculum. The high school is being rated again as first class with thirty-seven and a fourth units of work approved.

Mr. King also congratulated the board on the construction of the new Ralph E. Bailey grammar school and on redecoration work done in other buildings under a WPA project. His letter, which was based on Mr. Masterson's observations before students occupied the new building, is printed below.

"We have the report of Mr. H. B. Masterson, high school supervisor, who had the pleasure of visiting your school recently. We are pleased to continue it on the first-class list with thirty-seven and one-fourth units of high school work approved.

"The organization of your school is proper, the distribution of pupils enrolled very satisfactory considering your present crowded condition and a logical program of studies is being offered. Our report shows that courses in speech, art, commercial law, and French II have been added to the high school curriculum this year.

"We congratulate you on your splendid new elementary school building which will presently be completed and put into use. This new unit is a very logical addition to your school facilities, will relieve your crowded condition, and doubtless contribute to the effectiveness of your educational program. You are to be commended for the redecorating which has been done at the white elementary and colored school buildings. The work being done in the opportunity room in the white elementary school is of a superior quality.

"We commend you for employing a well-trained administrative and teaching personnel. There is evidence that some effective work is being done in all departments of your school system. We are in full accord with your efforts to secure administrators with superior training.

"We are approving the junior high school organization of the colored school and the units of work being done in this department this year.

"The supervisor conferred with the proper authorities regarding the organization of the school system in view of the fact that the new elementary unit will soon be put into use. Other relevant matters were also discussed.

"We are sure you will continue to approve a budget which will provide the needs for all departments of your school system. When we may be of service to your district, please inform us."

AUDIENCE PLEASED WITH FRAZER-JAMES DANCERS

A small, enthusiastic audience was delighted Wednesday night with the performance of the Frazer-James dance group given in the high school auditorium.

Persons attending found the dances of Paul James and his two women assistants varied, graceful, and finished and the piano playing of Arthur Frazer expert.

The evening performance was sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce. A matinee was given for school children.

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CAVERNO CHATS WITH AGRICULTURE SECRETARY

Photographs in Saturday editions of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch and the St. Louis Star-Times showed Xenophon Caverno of Canalou talking intimately with Henry Wallace, secretary of agriculture, at the first conference in Washington of a committee on farm tenancy. President Roosevelt recently appointed Judge Caverno to the group.

A plan to aid Texas tenants announced last week-end included thirty-year loans at low interest rates; 150-acre limit on farm and $10,000 limit on investment with preference to small farms; "fair" down payment required; two-year lease before purchase; selection of "higher bracket" tenants by local committees; co-operative marketing; and provisions to guard against making rural regions "dumping places for failures from cities".

Plans for all states in which the sharecropper-tenant system is used will be perfected by the tenancy committee.

SUBSTITUTE FOR QUININE DISCOVERED IN RUSSIA

Moscow, Dec. 18.—Scientists of the Soviet Union report that production of akrikhin, which in clinical properties "replaces and is even superior to quinine," will jump to 45 tons next year.

Soviet scientists, who found the compound, say the amount of akrikhin required for treatment of malarial patients is six to seven times less than that of quinine. Hence, the 45 tons should equal 260 ton of quinine.

The first lot of akrikhin was very small with the plant expected to produce six tons by the end of 1936.

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Sidwell's

Center Street

MISS MAYME JEAN WILBUR IS WED TO ELMER POAGE

Christmas decorations were used extensively in the Methodist church for the marriage at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon of Miss Mayme Jean Wilbur, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Wilbur, to Elmer Bruton Poage. Mr. Poage is a son of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Poage.

Untrimmed evergreens of grading heights stood at the front part of the chancel, and on the walls behind the choir stall were hung Christmas wreaths joined with festoons of balsam fir. Two large baskets of poinsettas sat on the organ.

On each side of the platform was a tall candelabrum wrapped with green tissue paper. Another stood at the left side of the platfrom, and along the church's two central aisles were candelabra, also trimmed in green. All held gold tapers. Bows of green tissue paper were tied at the ends of pews along the aisles.

W. B. Malone, Jr., played "Moonlight and Roses" while the guests were assembling, and as Miss Ruth Hollingsworth and Miss Gwendolyn Kirk lighted the tapers, he played "Indian Love Call". Miss Hollingsworth and Miss Kirk were dressed alike in gold taffeta blouses, black taffeta floor-length skirts, and gold sandals and wore corsages of gold chrysanthemums and ferns.

Before members of the bridal party appeared, Miss Virginia Mills of Malden, dressed in a gown of green velvet and wearing a corsage of gold chrysanthemums, sang "My Heart at Thy Sweet Voice" from Saint-Saens' opera, "Samson and Delilah".

While Mr. Malone played the wedding march from Wagner's "Lohengrin", the Rev. D. D. Ellis, pastor of the Presbyterian church, and the Rev. E. H. Orear, minister of the Methodist church, approached the chancel from a side door, followed by the bridegroom and Kemper Bruton, his attendant.

The bride, who walked to the altar on the arm of her father, wore a black velvet gown with a short train and a black Juliet cap of the same material. She carried an arm bouquet of Easter lilies.

Mrs. Dellar Mott, the matron of honor, and Miss Margaret Fisher, the bridesmaid, wore identical gowns of yellow taffetta and Juliet caps and gold sandals. Their bouquets were of yellow roses.

Arden Poage of Charleston, a nephew of the bridegroom, was the ringbearer. Boutonnieres of the clergymen, the bridegroom, his attendant, and Dellar Mott, Walter Weekley, and Calvin Carter, the ushers, were white carnations.

Mr. Malone played Liszt's "Lieberstraum" while Mr. Ellis performed a double ring ceremony and Mr. Orear prayed. The bridal party left the church as he played Mendelssohn's wedding march.

At a reception given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dellar Mott, 1010 North Kingshighway, immediately after the wedding, Mr. and Mrs. Mott, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Poage, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Wilbur, and Miss Margaret Fisher and Kemper Bruton received with the bride and bridegroom in front of the living room fireplace, which was banked with palms and ornamented with holly and lighted candles. Mrs. D. D. Ellis and Miss Mills served after the bride had cut her large cake.

Mr. and Mrs. Poage left for the south at 5:30 Sunday afternoon. They spent the night in Memphis, but the next day, they drove on to Plant City, Fla., to visit Mrs. Poage's sisters, Mrs. L. J. Prosser and Mrs. Peal Clark, and her brother, Robert Wilbur, and members of their families. Mr. and Mrs. James H. Wilbur, who will spend the winter in Plant City, accompanied them.

After January 15, Mr. and Mrs. Poage will be at home in the Poage apartments on Kathleen avenue.

Baptists to Perform in Bloomfield

Member of the B. Y. P. U. will give a second performance of "The Bethlehem Inn", a Christmas play, at the Baptist church in Bloomfield Wednesday evening. The Sikeston Baptist church was filled for the first presentation Sunday night. The cast will go to Bloomfield at the request of members of the Bloomfield congregation.

TURKEY DINNER
Christmas Day
50c
THEGRILL

Notice To Automobile Owners

City Ordinance No. 1201—Section No. 1. That every Motor Vehicle licensed by the City of Sikeston, Missouri shall at all times have displayed on the wind-shield of such motor vehicle the reigisteration sticker issued by the city clerk, entirely unabscured and un-obstructed, with all parts there of plainly visible, and kept reasonable clean.

SECTION NO. 2

Any person firm or corporation who shall operate a motor vehicle the registration sticker issued by the city clerk, entirely unobscured and un-obstructed, with all parts there of conviction be fined not more than Ten Dollars.

THE ABOVE ORDINANCE WILL BE RIGIDLY ENFORCED ON AND AFTER THIS DATE.

WALTER KENDALL
CHIEF POLICE

FARM NEWS

By F. B. Veatch
Scott County Extension Agent

Applications for Payment Mailed

139 applications for grants for Scott county farmers, under the 1937 agricultural conservation program, were sent to the state office for audit last Saturday. Scott county is the first county in Southeast Missouri to forward grants for 1937 and also among the first in the entire state. Farm reports have been busily engaged in inspecting farms for the past two months. Farms are being inspected as rapidly as possible. Every attempt is being made to complete the program before January 1.

Additional applications will be forwarded in blocks of 300 immediately upon completion.

Will Supply Certified Seed Corn

Louis Dohogne, Box 26, Chaffee, is having his Midland Yellow Dent corn certified for the third consecutive year. He estimates that he will have approximately 200 bushel of certified seed for sale this year. Several other producers are selecting their seed corn prior to inspection. Alwin G. Gasser, Theodore Dohogne, Otto Schlitt, W. C. Pattengill and others, including members of the 4-H corn clubs.

Mr. Dohogne states that he planted Midland Yellow Dent three years ago and since that time has never had a decent year for good yield; however, in 1934 his corn averaged about 40 bushels per acre, and has had about as good yields in 1935 and 1936.

Midland Dent, while not a show corn, has proven its worth as a good producer in all areas of the state of Missouri. Farmers who have in past years purchased seed corn of Mr. Dohogne and Mr. Gasser are giving them repeat orders this year. Good seed corn is scarce and the farmers in other parts of the state are realizing it more than the farmers in Southeast Missouri. As a consequence, these men are buying their seed early in order to get good seed and it might be that the Scott county farmers who failed to secure their seed corn early will be without good seed.

No Corn Loans Available

There will be no loans made by the federal government on seed corn in Scott county, according to a letter received from J. Ross Fleetwood, Columbia.

Fourteen counties in Southeast Missouri are included in the area where loans will not be made. No reason was given in this letter for this action.

Builds New Poultry House

Leo Hamm of Perkins was not satisfied with the 25 per cent production from his flock of 240 hens. As a result, he is just completing a new 30x30 poultry house which, in most cases, has the principles which are advocated by the Missouri College of Agriculture. Mr. Hamm is using one new idea in his poultry house and that is sealing the compartment under the roost. This has some good features; however, it does limit the floor space in a poultry house to that extent. Many poultrymen in Scott county are faced with the same production problems as Mr. Hamm. Poultrymen are feeding good grain and balanced rations but still fail to get average production because of poor housing conditions. This new building will comfortably house 275 to 300 birds and was built with an approximate cost of $130. A thin section concrete floor is planned for next spring after the danger of freezing is over.

Will Have Family Dinner

Mrs. Anna Ancell will entertain Christmas Day with a family dinner, at her home on Sikes avenue. Guests will include, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ancell of Cape Girardeau, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Yowell of St. Louis, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Ancell, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Ancell and little daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Wagner and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ancell.

Southbound Train Delayed

Difficulty with a Frisco freight on the tracks north of Cape Girardeau delayed the southbound passenger train three hours Sunday morning. The train carrying mail here did not arrive until 7 o'clock.

PERSONAL

Felix Kersting of the state highway department left Sunday for Jefferson City to visit relatives.

Mrs. Wayne DeLisle and baby of Portageville spent, the week end here with her mother, Mrs. J. W. Schoff. Mr. De Lisle came Sunday and accopanied his family home. They will return here for Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Mead of St. Louis will be guests of the latters sister, Mrs. L. M. Schroff and Mr. Schroff Christmas Day.

Jack Matthews arrived home Sunday from the Veteran's Hospital in Little Rock, to spend the holidays with relatives. His health is much improved.

J. R. Knox, project engineer with the Missouri State Highway, left Sunday to spend the holidays with relatives in Fort Morgan, Colo.

Geo. P. Plattenberg departed Sunday to join Mrs. Plattenberg and their baby who are visiting relatives in Princeton, Mo.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas Malone and baby will arrive Thursday night to spend Christmas at the home of Mrs. Malone's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Baker. Mr. Malone will return to the city Saturday and Mrs. Malone and baby will remain for a longer visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Graham and Mrs. Jerry Bradfield of Poplar Bluff, shopped in St. Louis during the week-end.

Got indigestion? Maybe it's a guilty conscience. Latest scientific discoveries of interest to everybody told in The American Weekly, the magazine distributed with next Sunday's Chicago Herald and Examiner.

Mrs. Oscar Carroll spent Sunday in St. Louis with her husband, who is a patient in Jewish hospital there. Mr. Carroll will be dismissed from the hospital Christmas Day ,and will accompany Mrs. Carroll, to Fredericktown for a short stay with relatives before returning to Sikeston.

Mrs. T. B. Dudley of St. Louis, arrived Saturday for a holiday visit in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Baker, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Britton of Los Angeles, Calif., visited with the former's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Allen, Monday, en route to Cairo, Ill., to visit Mr. Britton's parents. They will return here Friday morning accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Britton and Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Britton, to spend Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Anderson and their children, Betty and Billy, will leave Thursday morning for Jacksonville, Ill., to spend Christmas Day and the week end with Mrs. Anderson's mother, Mrs. W. R. Huckeby.

Mr. and Mrs. S. V. Mitchell of Buffalo, N. Y., formerly of Sikeston, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary on December 30. Their daughter, Mrs. A. Ray Smith of Oakland, Calif., has gone to Buffalo to be with them for the celebration.

BABY CHICKS — Missouri Approved and Pullorum Tested chicks. All popular breeds $7.90 per hundred, postpaid. Live Delivery Guaranteed. New Hampshire Chicks, $10.00 per hundred. FRANKLIN COUNTY HATCHERY, Union, Mo. 8t-26

Two Building Permits Issued

Mayor N. E. Fuchs issued two building permits Friday. One was to C. C. Kindred for construction of a $3000 duplex in the high school addition . The other was to Franklin Moore, who is building a five-room residence in the high school addition at an estimated cost of $2500. Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Trowbridge expect to occupy the Moore house by January 14.

MRS. PLEAS MALCOLM INJURED IN ACCIDENT

Mrs. Pleas Malcolm was slightly injured Friday morning when the car in which she was riding north on Highway 61 hit a southbond truck headon.

Mr. Malcolm, the driver, and his sisters-in-law, Mrs. Early Malcolm and Mrs. Roland Malcolm, and Mrs. Early Malcolm's baby were not hurt. Elmer Erwin of Morley, driver of the truck also escaped injury.

Mrs. Pleas Malcolm suffered a severe blow on her head when the machines collided. Fenders and wheels of both the car and truck were damaged, and the car's windshield was broken.

The accident happened when the accelerator of Mr. Malcolm's new automobile stuck, preventing him from stopping it.

AUTHORITY TELLS NEED FOR TEXTILE STANDARDS

Almost no quality grades or standards for fabrics and clothing to protect the feminine consumer in her buying exist in industry today, according to Mrs. Adelle E. Ginter, assistant professor of home economics at the University of Missouri.

Few women, Mrs. Ginter says, shop intelligently for clothes and textiles. As they do not know how to judge fabric quality themselves and as they cannot be enlightened by non-informative labels on products, they have little or no protection when they buy clothing or clothing materials.

"Consumers are not conscious of the need of standards," this textile expert states, "and they have not demanded them of industry and government agencies."

She feels the most urgent need in all consumer buying today is the attaching of more informative labels to products, especially clothing and textiles. An industrial achievement of this type is being made more necessary with the introduction of new kinds of manufactured materials which hide their identity from the consumer.

"And yet, even when the manufacturers place informative labels on products," said Mrs. Ginter, "the consumer still needs the assurance that the information is accurate."

This relation of the consumer and the retailer she described as a trust between the two, indicate that textile buying could be put on a scientific basis if the consumer and the retailer would cooperate in their mutual knowledge of the product.

Women who buy should demand to know the guage of the hosiery for sale, they should know that "sanforized" means controlled shrinkage, and should not be too quick to buy a garment that is marked merely, "preshrunk." The retailer, to do his part, must give his clerks a background for textile selling and, despite price competition, must represent the relative quality of different brands of goods exactly as it is.

The only governmental agency which attempts to protect the consumer, Mrs. Ginter pointed out, is the federal trade commission. Its function is to correct the practice of misleading advertising. But its power to enforce a scheme of informative labels is limited to the extent that it cannot act unless there is a controversy between companies over unfair competition.

Mrs. Ginter anticipates a movement among consumers to effect legislation for the purpose of setting up standards for slothing materials and for providing informative labels to be attached to them.

When consumers become conscious of the need for accurate labels and feel free to call upon governmental agencies for help in accomplishing this need, they will become efficient buyers.

It was a dark and stormy night and the boatswain's mate returned home weary and wet.

"I have been to every shop in town and I can't find a piece of ribbon like this anywhere, dear," he told his wife.

"Splendid," she cried, "I just wanted to make sure that it couldn't be matched."

Sailor: "I would like to purchase a present for my wife."

Clerk: "Would you be interested in something in silk stockings?"

Sailor: "Well, let's get this present matter out of the way first."

Let Us Give You That Christmas Permanent Now!

Good work at Reasonable Prices

We invite each of our patrons to come in. We have a souvenir for you.

GRAHAM'S BEAUTY SHOP

Largest Showing of House Shoes In This Section

A Slipper You'll Want for Lounging . . .

Velvet "SHUFFLER"

$1

• PEACH
• RED
• BLUE
• BLACK
• GREEN

. . . it's incomparable anywhere! The slipper has a rich white shirling collar with velvet ribbon lacing . . a quilted sateen lining. Select several pairs for Xmas gifts!

Warm! Smart! New! GLOVE KID . . .

Russian Bootees

$1.00
$1.95

• RED
• BLUE
• BLACK
• WHITE
• BROWN

. . . even the soles are Glove Kid! Made with padded or Cuban heel, with matching electrified Shirling collar! Get a pair!

See This Glorious Array of New . . .

BOUDOIR Slippers

$1.25

• RED
• BLUE
• PINK
• GREEN
• PEACH
• BLACK

. . . as glamorous as the season! In rich velvet . . . sleek kidskin . . . shining satin . . . rich brocade . . . with luxurious shirling, gold or silver kid trims . . . hard or padded leather soles . . . quilted sateen linings . . . ALL ONE PRICE! Choose your own and Xmas gifts!

Oriental Glamour in VELVET . . .

EMPRESS BOUDOIRS

specially priced at

$1.25

. . . inspired by the slippers of a Chinese empress . . . beautiful in rich velvet, trimmed in gold or silver kid! With genuine leather sole.

• RED
• BLUE
• GREEN
• BLACK

House Shoes In Satin, Kid, Suedes and Many Other Fabrics and Colors

THE BUCKNER-RAGSDALE Co.
SIKESTON, MO.

It isn't COMPLETE without this TREAT!

FRUIT CAKE ICE CREAM Serves Eight 69c

MAKES AN IDEAL GIFT FOR YOUR FRIENDS
Contains Nuts, Cherries, Pineapple etc. Made of real fruit cake. The perfect desert for Christmas.

Midwest Dairy Products Co.
Phone 180

FORRESTER'S CONTEST TO END THURSDAY NOON

Mary Ann Frewerd and Paul Slinkard, Jr., led entrants in Forrester's drug store contest Monday as the end of the competition neared.

Double bonuses will be granted to boys and girls until Thursday noon, when the contest will end. Final standings will be posted in the store's window Thursday night, and prizes will be presented in front of the store at 9 o'clock Christmas morning.

Sixteen boys and girls will be awarded prizes. The winner of first place in the boys' division will win a $32 electric train with a remote control whistle. The girl winner will receive a doll four feet high.

The names of girl and boy contestants are printed below in the order of their ranking on Monday morning.

Mary Ann Frewerd, Norma Jean Walker, Caroline Weltecke, Mary Helen Trousdale, Patsy Lou Alexander, Barbara Jo Boyce, Lillian Ancell, Patrica Caulk, Ilene Crutchfield, Lucy Jo Auf-denberg, Martha Jane Lewis, Shirley Shainberg, Caroline Groves, Eugenia Potashnick, Jackie Sue Woodwell, Sally Bach, Shirley Ann Thomas, Betty Jean Sizemore, Laura Greenlee, Barbara Cummins, Ida Lou Littleton, Doris South, Doris Heath, Patsy Ruth Gentles, Joy Woodney, and Sally Lou Williams.

Paul Slinkard, Jr., Billy Dudley, Leonard Caroli, Leonard Crase, Larry Lee Conatser, Bob McCord, Harold Lowe, Jackie Edwards, Dennie Rogers, Curtis Bryant, Jimmy Ellis, Vee Wills, Billy Matthews, Charles Randolph, Richard Smith, Allen Crites, Albert Bess, Shirley Alberson, Ralph Caul, Billy Tomerlin, and Herbert Finney.

FINED FOR DRUNKENNESS

Judge Brown Jewell fined Levern Camerson of Morehouse $8 for being drunk and disturbing the peace last week-end. The fine was paid.

BINGO PARTY

The Catholic ladies will sponsor a Bingo party Wednesday afternoon at the Parish Hall on Front street, at which the officers of St. Ames' Sodality will serve as hostesses.

PARISH ASSN. GIVES PARTY

The Catholic Parish Association entertained members of the Parish Sunday night, with a Christmas party. A surprise feature of which was a shower of linen given to Father O'Neil by the parishoners.

HOSTS AT DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Pitman will have as guests for Christmas dinner: Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Erwin, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Erwin and son Kay, of Kennett; Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Blair and sons, Tommy and Jimmy, of New Madrid; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Pitman of Crowder; Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Soloman, Mrs. Ruby Newsome and daughter, Frances Ann.

Teachers Entertain Classes

Seventh and eighth grade teachers entertained with a theatre line party Monday afternoon for their pupils. The movie was "Banjo on My Knee" starring Joel McCrea and Barbara Stanwyck. The instructors took students to the performance as a Christmas gift.

BIRTH ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Schwieter announce the birth Monday morning of an eight and a half pound son, whom they have named Raymond Wesley, Jr.

BEAVERS IN NEW HOME OUTWIT ENGINEERS

Jersey County beavers at Beaver Lake on the L. E. Groppel farm near Rosedale are attracting biology students from many parts of the district between Jersey County and St. Louis.

L. E. Groppel, former Jersey County superintendent of schools, is taking an active interest in the animals and making an intensive study of their habits. It was believed that the animals worked with soft wood only, but the four beavers released in the lake near Rosedale have demonstrated that they can utilize hard wood as well as soft. In fact they not only cut down and worked up a black oat tree, but at present are busily engaged in falling a white oak.

The animals cut through a part of the white oak and hit "dead wood." They immediately stopped cutting and sought to begin at a point some distance above the original starting place. They carried enough clay and grass to build a platform high enough to elevate the worker to the point of the second cutting.

The water level in Beaver Lake is maintained at a certain level by means of an overflow outlet. Groppel reported that the animals were not content with the water already in the lake, but have started to reconstruct the work done a year ago by CCC workers at the outlet and are building a dam near the water escape which will stop up the outlet and make a lake 40 feet deep and covering 30 acres of land instead of the present 10 or 12 acres.

"They started the base of their proposed dam," Groppel said, "by dragging in dead limbs that have sunk to the bottom of the water. This material could not float. Then they mixed long gras with clay for a plaster.

"The dead brush was somewhat woven together before the plaster was applied. Now in preparing this plaster, the soil close at hand contained much humus and did not serve best to mix with grass, so the beavers went a considerable distance to get real red clay from a dam the CCC boys helped construct.

"I think a lot of these little fellows, but I don't want that pipe stopped. Of course, they want all the water they can get, but I feel as if 19 acres is all I can afford to let them have. If they carry out their plans, they will have a 30-acre lake, 40 feet deep.

"Since I have been a school teacher, I can't help but think of these beavers as boys. They try to outwit you, but generally, if one thinks, the situation can be handled. However, with these fellows it is different. I suggested putting chicken wire about the pipe, but was soon reminded that this would only make good laths for their plaster."

Groppel related how the beavers had dredged one of the inlets into the lake in order to float a large limb into the main body of water. The limb was cut out of the top of a tree and they dragged it to the beginning of the ravine. Then they got busy and cleared all the surplus brush from the water and got a clear way into the main lake before moving the large piece of timber.

Groppel reported that he saw one 12-foot piece of timber which the boss-beaver had evidently marked off. Every so many inches he had cut a nick to be followed in cutting the stick into pieces.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

These Fasteners Make It Easy for Children to Dress, Undress Selves

"SELF-HELP" is the newest idea for little children's clothes. Slide fasteners easy for even a three-year-old to manipulate take the place of bothersome buttons.

Even though there is such practicality in the new garments, style is kept as important as ever. They are skillfully cut and of imaginative design.

One talon closing model for little girls is fitted at the top and gored at the sides to flare around the hem. There are sheer flowered voiles with sashes tied in perky bows.

In addition to the fact that little youngsters thus can dress and undress themselves without calling on mother for assistance, there is added advantage in the washability of the garments, all of which can be tossed into the family washing machine and thus cleansed easily and quickly. This is one of the many ways in which the family washer is constantly demonstrating its usefulness.

FARMERS FIND NOVEL USES FOR ELECTRICITY

The next time you quaff a cool glass of cider or eat a pair of succulent frog's legs, it isn't likely to think of a woman's hair dryer as an instrument for saving the lives of calves.

But the farmers of Jackson county, Missouri, think of these things, very practically. Those who have electric service have found novel uses for it.

J. H. Lenz, who has 564 acres in two farms, is a breeder of purebred cattle. His wife likes to tell how one of her boudoir appliances was instrumental in saving the lives of seven calves. She says:

"During a cold spell last winter, seven newly born calves were doing poorly and my husband was afraid the below-zero weather would freeze their ears. So he borrowed my electric hair dryer and attached it to a socket in the barn. It worked perfectly, completely 'thawed out' the calves, and from then on they thrived. I doubt if a woman's hair dryer had ever been put to such a use before—but if the occasion arises, it will be put to the same use again."

Army men know that cavalry horses parade better when a band is playing. Adopting this principle to cows, Robert W. Barr and Edward Watson, owners of a large Jackson county dairy farm, always have the radio in the barn playing music during milking time. Watson says:

"Let cows be discontended from any reason and they will not give as much milk as if they were comfortable. Our cows listen to the music of the radio and are pleased by it. We have experimented and found that cows give more milk when the radio is playing than when it is not."

N. G. Noris, operator of a large frog farm, says that he could not make his business profitable were it not for electricity. Frogs will not eat anything that is dead, so food for them is expensive. Norris explains how he cut down feed bills:

"We put unusually bright electric lights at various places close to the surface of the ponds. These lights attract hundreds of thousands of insects at night. The frogs gather beneath the lights, stand on their hind legs, and eat their fill." The ponds and ditches of the froggery are fed by water raised from wells by electric pumps.

Sterling Evans runs an apple packing house and cider mill, and he lets electricity do most of the work. An electric motor runs the mill. The cider is cooled by an electric system. The apple-sorting machines are also operated by electrcity . In years of average rainfall. Evans makes 30,000 gallons of cider. "It would be almost impossible for me to turn out this large amount with the old hand-operated apple presses," he says.

Electricity helped John H. Stevens fight the drouth. He has electric lights, an electric washing machine, a radio, and other appliances. But it is the electrically operated pump which interests him most. His corn was withered by the lack of rainfall last summer but he kept an acre field of seed corn alive and thriving by irrigation sprays from overhead pipes. The water for this purpose was pumped electrically from a ninety-foot well.—Rural Electrication News.

M. U. PROF. DEVELOPS NEW ROAD MATERIAL

It is now possible to form a durable road surface by adding to soil a cheap chemical mixture obtained primarily from waste agricultural products. The chemicals and method have been developed by Dr. Hans Winterkorn of the University of Missouri College and Agriculture. His work is also being supported by the State Highway Department, the U. S. Department of Agriculture, and the Argentine Government.

This way of constructing roads is expected to be especially popular in those districts where gravel, crushed rock, and other aggregates are not readily available. It is also expected to be used extensively in establishing the base for concrete and other types of highway surfacing.

The surface created by the method has remarkable tensile strength and surface resistance. Its tensile strength has been tested and in dry conditions amounts to some 200 pounds per square inch. The material has been left in water 36 days without noticeable disintegration.

There are three ways of using the chemical mixture developed by Dr. Winterkorn. It can be spread on the suface of the road, much as oil is spread on certain dirt roads. When used in this manner, the cost is approximately $250 a mile, which is comparable to the cheapest road surfacings. The second way si to loosen the surface of the road down to a depth of five or six inches and then apply the chemical mixture with a subterranean machine under and through the surface. The cost then increases to about $4000 a mile, which is approximately two or three times as much as gravel surfacing costs when first applied. However the surface thus created is considered much more satisfactory than gravel.

The third method requires the use of a mixer. The soil is scooped up and mixed with the chemicals in a machine and then spread out behind to be rolled into place to form the road surface. This last method costs in the neighborhood of $6000 a mile but a stabilized base is formed which will often last for 14 years or more.

In each of thees methods, a wearing surface of some one-eighth of an inch of asphalt and rock chips is put on over the stabilized base. This top cover may be renewed periodically according to the wear on the road.

BIOLOGIST ASKS HUNTERS TO KILL WILD GOBBLERS

Branson, Mo., Dec. . —If you had twenty wild turkeys, ten hens and ten gobblers, how could you kill nine of them and have 131 wild turkeys? How could you kill nine and have only 23?

This may seem to be mathematically impossible, but it certainly isn't a biological impossibility, declares Harold L. Blakey, assistant conservationist of the U. S. biological survey, who is visiting hunters in this section of the Ozark wild-turkey range.

The first answer is: kill nine gobblers. A wild turkey hen normally will hatch out 12 to 15 poults next spring, so (taking 12 as a fair average) the ten hens would hatch out 120, plus the ten hens and one gobbler, making 131 wild turkeys. On the other hand, by killing nine hens, one would have only twelve poults, one hen and ten gobblers, or 23 wild turkeys.

This illustrates the idea behind Blakey's suggestion to sportsmen that they can increase the number of wild turkeys next year by shooting gobblers instead of hens this season. This is entirely up to the hunter, however, as no Missouri game law prohibits killing wild turkey hens.

Whichever it may be, Blakey is appealing to hunters to save him the gizzard and craw (crop) from every wild turkey killed in Missouri this season, for biological survey study of contents to identify what plants and insects are eaten by these birds. By no other means can this important information be obtained. The gizzard and craw can be sent in any substantial wrapping, express collect or parcel post, to H. L. Blakey, Biological Survey, Federal Building, St. Louis.

The need of skilled Santas was bewailed by Charles W. Howard, Albion, N. Y., who around Christmas time is a professional Santa Claus, playing the part for church and civic functions. Santas he has seen on streets and in stores, he said, do not measure up to childhood expectations. "I could place 20 or 30 Santas right now," he declared, "if I had trained men."

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Harper and son John, were week end visitors in St. Louis.

CHRISTMAS SALE!

Sugar—Pure Granulated—(Bag $4.89), 10 lbs. 49c
Swansdown Cake Flour, large Package 25c

Candied Cherries, lb.	45c	Cocoanut, Fancy shred, lb.	19c
Candied Pineapple, lb.	39c	Fox Mince Meat, 3 pkgs.	25c
Candied Citron, lb.	25c	Mince Meat, Gallon Tins, each	98c

Ocean Spray Cranberry Sauce, can	15c
Taste Good, Pumpkin, 3 large cans	25c
Taste Good, Fresh Prunes, 2 large cans	25c
Taste Good, Sliced Pineapple, No. 2 can	15c

Cocoanuts, 2 for	15c	Brachs Chocolate Drops ,lb.	10c
Brazils, large Fancy, lb.	23c	Fancy Creams and Jellies, lb.	10c
English Walnuts, No. 1 lb.	23c	Big Ben Jellies, 3 lbs.	25c
Black Walnuts, shelled, lb.	65c	Xmas Mixed, 2 lbs.	25c
Almonds, shelled, lb.	69c	Peanut Brittle, lb.	10c

Very Complete Stock of all other Nuts and Chrismas Candies.

10 VARIETIES OF BRACH'S FANCY CHOCOLATES
"FIT FOR A QUEEN"
ALL AT SPECIAL XMAS PRICES—COME IN AND SEE THEM

Dates, 1¾ lb. pkg.	25c	Peanut Butter, 5 lb. Tin	69c
Figs, Fancy Black, pkg.	10c	Apple Butter, qt. jar	15c

A Complete Line of Fruits and Vegetables.

MEAT MARKET

Veal Roast	15c	Bacon, Sugar Cured	25c
Veal Chops	20c	Salt Side	20c
Veal Stew	10c	Chilli Brick	20c
Spareribs	18c		

Our Grocery and Market is brim full of good things to eat. Our Hardware department well stocked with toys and useful gifts—it will be fun to stop and shop for your entire Xmas list at our store.

YOU'VE HEARD THAT "MONEY TALKS"
We are going to let our Xmas special prices say to you—right out loud

"Merry Christmas"

SUTTON BROS.

PHONES 55-121. FREE DELIVERY

Warning!

IN REGARD TO SHOOTING FIRECRACKERS IN THE BUSINESS SECTION OF THE CITY OF SIKESTON AND THROWING FIRECRACKERS AT PERSONS OR AUTOMOBILES

The following ordinance will be **STRICTLY ENFORCED** and all persons found guilty will be fined.

This ordinance is No. 253: Any person in this city who shall willfully fire or explode any firecacker, Roman candle or other fireworks or cause the same to be fired or exploded, without a permit from the Mayor shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. The Mayor is hereby authorized to grant such permit on the **FIRST DAY OF JANUARY, FOURTH DAY OF JULY, TWENTY FIFTH DAY OF DECEMBER,** and on other public or national holidays or on the occasion of any public celebration. **UNDER SUCH RESTRICTIONS AS IN HIS JUDGMENT MAY TEND TO AVOID FIRE, DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY OR INJURY TO PERSONS.**

Walter Kendall
Chief of Police

CHOICEST
FANCY
STEAKS
Sizzling Hot
"ICHY'S" CAFE

Buy At Your Own Prices For Christmas in Our Quitting Business

Auction Sale

Everything Must Be Sold Regardless of Price

3 SALES DAILY---2 P. M., 4 P. M., 7:30 P. M.

We Must Vacate On or Before January 9

WOLF HOUSE FURNISHING CO.

Odd Fellows Bldg.

SIKESTON, MISSOURI

Personal And Society Items From Charleston

Charleston, Mo., Dec. 17.—One of the most enjoyable affairs of the week was the Christmas party given by members of the Woman's Council of the Christian Church at the home on Mrs. Hula Salmon on Tuesday afternoon. The program was given by Mrs. Harold Lovelace, who had a large table decorated to represent Christmas in each country and a flag marked each country. She gave a very interesting description of how Christmas is celebrated in each and closed her talk with Christmas in America. Just at the conclusion of her talk those present were presented gifts from a large and beautifully decorated tree, which was a part of the decoration of the room. The same colors were carried out in the refreshments of fruit jello, whipped cream, angel food cake, and coffee. Mrs. Salmon's rooms were very attractively decorated for the occasion. Among those present were three out of town members: Mesdames C. M. Davis, J. Barfield, and John Clevidence.

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Ann Latimore to Mr. Jack O'Neal, which was solemnized on Tuesday evening, December 15th, at 9 p. m. in Sikeston, Mo., at the home of the officiating Justice of the Peace. Mr. and Mrs. Shawie Noffel accompanied the couple and served as attendants. Mr. O'Neal is connected with the People's Market of this city. The young couple are now at home at the Loebe Apartments.

Mr. Chas. Baker and granddaughter, Betty Lee Anderson, are spending the week in St. Louis, where they are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Baker.

Mrs. William Kirkpatrick has been quite ill this week at her home in west end.

Miss Frances Daniel, who has been ill for several weeks at her home on East Commercial street, is now convalescent.

Eighteen members of the Woman's Missionary Society were in attendance on Wednesday afternoon at the meeting held at the church. Mrs. W. S. Love served as leader of the devotional service and closed it with the poem, "Lord, Teach Me." Mrs. Love also led the Mission study, the topic of which was "Racial Understanding," of the study of the negro. She was assisted by Mesdames John Turner, Ivo O'Rourke, Moore Haw, Seth Rowe, J. H. Marshall, and Dee Jennings, the latter giving the "Life of Booker T. Washington." Mrs. Riley Brown closed the program with the musical reading, "When Melindy Sings," Dunbar.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles Rowling are the proud parents of a little ten pound son, who was born on Sunday moning, December 13th.

LAWYERS TO OUTNUMBER OTHER PROFESSIONS IN 59TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Lawyers will outnumber all other professions in the Fifty-ninth General Assembly of Missouri, as in a majority of the more recent sessions of the State Legislature, according to a survey just completed by Secretary of State Dwight H. Brown. There will be a total of 53 barristers in both houses.

The survey discloses that exactly half of the membership of 34 of the State Senate of the new Legislature, which will convene January 6, will be composed of attorneys. Other occupations are represented in the upper branch of the Assembly as follows:

Farmers, six; editors and publishers, three; real estate and insurance, farmer-lawyer and merchant, theatre manager, printer and hauling contractor, one each.

There is about the usual number of lawyers in the membership of the House, 36 out of the total number of 150. Farmers, with a total of 42, constitute the largest membership of an occupation. Merchants number 20.

There are three ministers in the House membership. One lists himself as a minister-lawyer; another minister-carpenter and a third as a minister-insurance agent.

One of the new lawmakers is a funeral director, one is an optometrist, there is one engineer-architect, one electrical engineer, one grain dealer, one former Sheriff, one "planter," one manufacturer, one barber-farmer, one "hatcheryman," one who lists himself as "piano salesman and magician" and one is a cafe owner.

There are two physicians, two dentists and three druggists in the House membership.

Washington Comment

There was considerable excitement about the first of November and it was reported that President Roosevelt had been elected, which was nothing more than a guess, though a good one, as subsequent events proved. The real election was held in Washington a few days ago, when the presidential electors cast their ballots, and it may now be stated that the surmise of November was correct. The single instance in which the outcome of a presidential election was not settled so easily was that of Mr. Hayes. The votes of Louisiana, South Carolina and Florida being in dispute, Congress appointed an Electoral Commission composed of five Senators, five representatives and a like number of Justices of the U. S. Supreme Court who, by a vote of 8 to 7, allotted the ballots of the contested states to Gen. Hayes, and he was seated accordingly.

The papers note the strange case of a Florida man who has talked ten days without stopping. He is under the spell of disease and is to be pitied rather than made the subject of jokes. In Virginia, where Edith Maxwell was tried lately, with wide publicity, for the alleged killing of her father by knocking him on the head with a shoe, the closing arguments of the lawyers were limited to six hours. It is hard to understand what they found to talk about after the first hour. Times have not changed in all respects during the past two thousand years. There still remains a considerable class who, like the men referred to in the Scripture, "think that they shall be heard for their much speaking," but perhaps longwindedness is merely a disease of which the unfortunate Florida citizen is suffering an acute attack.

The affair of King Edward is closed, to all intents and purposes, but some whose only chance of being seen lies in the fact that a reflected light may shine upon them, seek to keep the incident alive as long as possible. To their number may be added the large group whose chief business is to knock. The public at large cannot grasp all the details and far reaching results of the King's abdication. Probably no one can. They will have to work themselves out as history is made. All however will understand the poet Pope and agree that he was right when he wrote: "Uneasy lies the head that wears the crown." Incidentally, Edward is reported to have carried on a half hour phone conversation between Austria and France. Although no longer a king, he is not bothered by that uncomfortable feeling that most of use have as the minutes pile up during a long distance phone call.

There are thirty-three persons in the United States who have a yearly income of at least million dollars, according to the Federal Internal Revenue authorities. Fifteen are in New York States, and the other sare spread over eight states. If a man keeps away from New York he has a fair chance of walking about freely without bumping into someone who has a million dollar income. Statistics thus confirm the conclusions which we had already reached by sizing up our own bank rolls and those of our friends and acquaintances.

A Washington motorist has been fined $2.00 for putting on his 1937 auto tags too early, and shortly after New Years Day there will be many who will feel the grip of the law for operating with expired tags: all of which recalls an adage from the school reader which ran someting like this: Be not the first by which the new is tried, nor yet the last to lay the old aside.

The unpaid European war debts have become almost a threadbare subject, yet it is well to mention the matter now and then "lest we forget". As the glad Christmas season approaches, France cheers the United States with the annual assurance of a default, coupled with the appointment of an envoy to talk things over. A good envoy can be hired at an expense of a few thousand dollars, and talk costs nothing. In the meantime, the European nations are preparing to clean up each other, and the United States if necessary, with United States cash as the sinews of war. Six other countries are sending greeting cards similar to the one prepared by France. Finland, alone, will write: "Enclosed find check."

PEMISCOT PROSECUTOR HAS BANK NIGHT DROPPED

Bank night at the Caruthersville motion picture theatre was discontinued Wednesday at the request of Prosecuting Attorney Robert W. Hawkins of Pemiscot county.

Hawkins said he would file a lottery charge against the theatre if it did not drop bank night, inaugurated only a month before. His warning was issued the day after Chester Stephan, Jr., of Caruthersville won a "pot" of $80, the first to be awarded. Persons whose names had been called for the first $40 and for amounts increased each week by $20 had not been present on previous bank nights.

Bank nights have been declared lotteries in several states, including Arkansas, Kansas, and Illinois. No test suit has been taken to the Missouri supreme court, but Hawkins acted on a brief furnished him by Attorney-General Roy McKittrick, who said the practice was illegal.

GRANT PARK AT IRONTON IS DEEDED TO HOSPITAL

Ironton, Mo., Dec. 21.—Grant park, one of the two historical spots in Arcadia valley falling into decay, has been deeded to the hospital here, St. Mary's of the Ozarks, and under the hands of the sisters, it is expected to be put in repair and preserved for future generations.

This property, comprising six acres, borders Highway 21 near the southern limits of Ironton. Inside the stone wall fronting the property is a small lake filled with pond lilies. A well shaded lawn is on one side and a gravel roadway leads from the entrance to the twelve-room mansion in front of which is the tall stately tree called Grant oak, under which in 1861 colonel U. S. Grant received his commission as brigadier-general.

On this spot twenty-five years later the survivors of the 21st Illinois volunteer infantry erected a granite and broze statue inscribed as follows:

Erected 1886
By the Surviving Veterans of the 21st Regt. Ill. Vol. Inft.
To Commemorate the Spot Where Their Col. Ulysses S. Grant Received His Commission As General 1861
And Parting From His Regt. Entered On His Career of Victory
"Let Us Have Peace."

Inside the roomy old mansion, a solid walnut stairway leads from the entrance to the second floor, with its spacious bedrooms, nearly all with fireplace and cedar-lined clothes closets. Another climb to the smaller attic rooms is followed by a few steep steps to the cupola, where a view of the whole valley can be obtained.

The basement under the whole house is large enough to store fuel and food for a small town, and in one section is an arrangement for cooling milk and butter by allowing cool spring water to flow around the containers.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Goodman, formerly of St. Louis, now of Chicago, lived in Arcadia valley for some time, and purchased the house to keep it from being turned into a roadhouse or gasoline station. The Goodmans made many improvements, fencing the place, building an imposing gateway and stone wall along the entire front.

They then looked for a community organization, or responsible person, to take it over and care for it. They finally decided to give it to the Sisters of St. Mary's of the Ozarks, and the deed was turned over to them Thanksgiving day. Just what use the Sisters will make of the building and park has not been decided.

Years ago this particular piece of land was a part of an old Spanish grant and was first bought by one of the original settlers, Cyrus Russell. Later it was sold to Colonel Lindsay, who at the time of the civil war had a neat log cabin a very fine orchard, and a clear cold spring. The place and spring especially appealed to Colonel Grant and was offered to him to use as his headquarters while in this section of the country.

After the war Colonel Lindsay built the house now standing, a most pretentious building of hand-made brick from each obtained only a short distance away. Skilled carpenters and cabinet makers were called in, and the cost was approximately $30,000.

Although Grant park had several owners, to most people of the valley it is known as Emmerson park, because Judge J. W. Emmerson, who later purchased it, was a poet and a lover of flowers as well as a business man. It was the judge who added the finishing touches by building the lake, improving the mansion and planting trees, shrubs, and flowers, some of which were imported from foreign lands.

After Judge Emmerson's death the home was rented for a while then sold. There were several owners after that but none improved the place until Goodman purchased it.

In speaking of the gift Goodman said, "I would rather help those who are always helping others."

10,000 POUNDS OF KOREAN LESPEDEZA SEED HARVESTED

T. P. Russell of Hayti has harvested 10,071 pounds of Korean Lespedeza seed from twenty-four acres of land located on the Wardell road, for which he has been offered 12½ cents per pound. At this price the gross proceeds would be $52.45 per acre or $1258.87 for the crop.

The county agent and a small group of farmers visited this farm and Mr. Russell indicated that he intended to harvest the lespedeza for hay. Mr. Amburgey, county agent, suggested that this would produce a good seed crop and with prospective high prices it would yield a greater income if the seed were saved. The suggestion was adopted with the above results.

The Korean Lespedeza was seeded in the spring of 1935 and used for pasture during that season. It reseeded itself in the spring of 1936. Nothing was done to it this past year, not even the weeds clipped off, and still it produced 420 pounds of seed per acre, not counting that portion that was lost in harvesting.

Mr. Russell did not care to estimate what percentage of the seed crop was left on the ground in a recent interview with the county agent.

He was sure however that there was an abundance of seed left which will insure reseeding next spring. Farmers may not be able to call this perpetual motion but it will afford an annual income that cannot be overlooked.

Korean Lespedeza has a place in this county. Approximately 4000 acres were grown in 1936. It is being used for pasture, hay and seed and it fits into the SCDA program. — Democrat-Argus.

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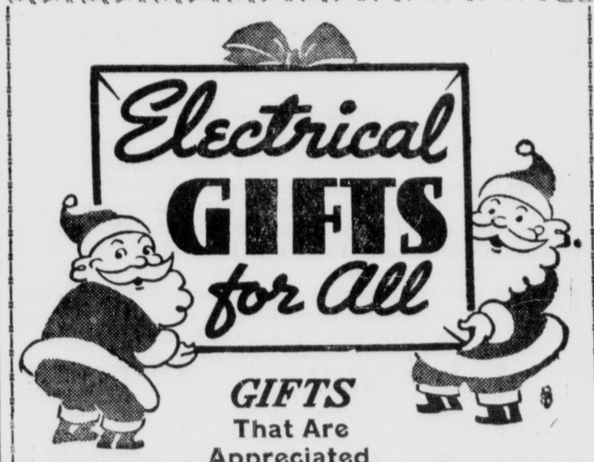

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Saturday, December 26
Owing to the fact that many other sales will not be held on account of Christmas our offerings will be unusually large.
WE NOW HAVE LISTED
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This sale promises to attract more buyers and sellers than ever before so do not fail to be there at 10 a. m. Saturday.
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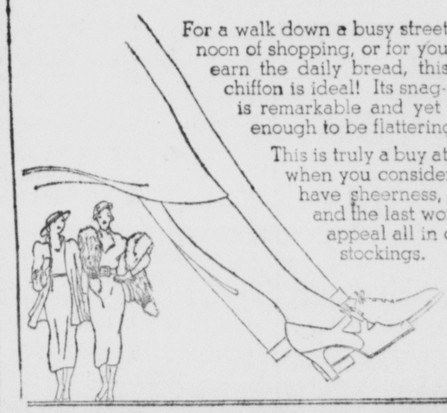
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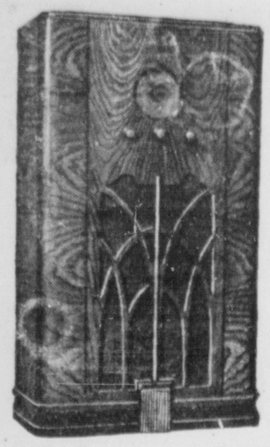

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Personal News of Sikeston

Mrs. Ed Kendall, Reporter, Phones 761w and 137

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard McMullin, Mr. and Mrs. John McMullin and Charles McMullin will spend Christmas Day at the home of Dr. and Mrs. R. Payne in St. Louis, who will entertain all members of the A. J. Matthews family at dinner.

Mrs. Thad Sheeler and children and Gilbert Ralph of Monmouth, Ill., will arrive Wednesday to spend Christmas with their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Turner and baby are expected this week end to visit Mrs. Turner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Mount.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Mahew and children expect to go to New Madrid Thursday evening to spend Christmas at the home of Mrs. Mahew's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hart.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Heckemeyer of Webster Groves will visit the latter's mother, Mrs. A. J. Goetz, over the holidays.

Mrs. L. E. Baker and son Chuck, of Chicago arrived Sunday night to spend the holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Baker, Sr., on North Kingshighway. Mr. Baker expects to come Christmas Eve for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Jackson and family will visit relatives in Jonesboro, Ark., Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Hatfield, Jr. of Princeton, Ky., are expected to arrive Thursday night to spend Christmas Day and the week end with their parents here.

Jim Hatfield and Miss Agnes Hollvax of St. Louis will be guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Hatfield, Christmas Day.

Dr. and Mrs. A. A. Mayfield visited with the latter's sister, Mrs. Renzo Miller in Millerville, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan McCoy Jr., and Daniel III, will spend Christmas Day in New Madrid at the home of Mrs. McCoy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bock.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Bess visited relatives in Fulton, Ky., Sunday.

Mrs. Jack Lancaster, who is in Hot Springs, Ark., for the benefit of her health, expects to spend Christmas Day here. She will return to Hot Springs, Saturday.

Mrs. Scott Alexander, who underwent an emergency appendectomy in St. Mary's Infirmary at Cairo, last Wednesday night, is improving, and her condition at this time is considered satisfactory.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Bess of Poplar Bluff will be dinner guests of their son, Wayne Bess, and family, Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo F. Beckett and Miss Helen Campbell will leave Wednesday afternoon for Auxvasse to spend the holidays with Mrs. Susie Campbell. Mr. and Mrs. Beckett will also visit in Salisbury while away .

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to our friends and neighbors for their sympathy shown us in our recent sorrow. The death of our father John S. Cobb. We also wish to thank those who gave the flowers, the Rev. Orear for his consoling words, the singers for their beautiful songs, those who furnished cars and the undertakers. —Mrs. Henry Bennett and family, Mrs. W. O. Ellis and family, Mrs. Cy Marshall and family.

BAKING FRUIT CAKES

Fruit cake scorches easily so most persons line the baking pan with well greased paper, says Miss Flora Carl of the Missouri College of Agriculture. Cook in a slow oven (250 to 275 degrees). Use a tube pan for a single large cake of 5 pounds or more, or divide the dough into smaller pans. A tube pan may be filled to a depth of 3½ or 4 inches. A 5 to 6 pound cake should bake about 3 hours, then should be turned out on a rack when done. When cold it is ready for wrapping in waxed paper or parchment paper, and stored.

AIR-FILLED MORSE COLLAR IS NOW ON THE MARKET

The world's on wheels, especially the United States part of it, and this was made possible through the pneumatic tire. Otherwise the automobile would have been an impossibility.

Now Lonnie L. Vardell of Puxico proposes to put old "Dobbin" in the air cushion class by fixing it so he carry his load on an inner tube blown full of soft, resilient, inexpensive air.

A patent has been issued to Mr. Vardell protecting his invention of an air-cushioned horse collar. Instead of padding up the collar with excelsior, shavings, hair or the various things that have been used to soften the impact of the load against the shoulder of the faithful horse in his labor for man, Mr. Vardell threw out this hard packed material that caused so much grief for the horse in the way of galled shoulders, running shoulder sores from bruises, and all the ills that every teamster knows too well and has inserted an air-filled inner tube in the ordinary collar. The tube is similar to that used in an automobile tire; in fact his forst collar was made using a tire inner tube.

When the horse lies up against his load the collar, made pliable by the giving of the air-filled tube insole, adjusts itself perfectly to the shape of the horse's shoulder and there is nothing to bruise or form lumps against faithful horse flesh.

The first collar was made for Mr. Vardell by J. B. Reasons of Puxico, a shoe cobbler. Since then the patent was issued, a collar company is making the collars in large quantities.

A recent advertisement of the collar brought replies and inquiries from twenty-nine states and it looks as if Mr. Vardell is headed for a big return on his simple invention. J. H. Law and W. J. Johnson, two other Stoddard county men, are interested with Mr. Vardell in placing the collar on the market.

A few days ago Mr. Johnson attended the horse show in St. Louis. He took one of the collars with him and took orders for seventy-five during the day he was in attendance. On his way back home he stopped over at Cape Girardeau to attend a sale and took orders for twenty-five more. The collar sells for about the price of the old-fashioned lumpy kind and is made from the very best pliable leather.

The inner tube is equipped with a valve just like the automobile tire and can be pumped up with an auto or bicycle pump.—Poplar Bluff Daily American Republic.

APPETITE UNSAFE GUIDE

Pleasing Foods May Not Promote Health and Growth

Foods can satisfy the appetite and yet not be sufficient for health and normal growth. This condition is likely to be brought about if the diet does not contain fruits and vegetables or a variety of foods.

Milk, fruits, vegetables, and eggs are frequently called the protective foods because they protect directly against dangers of nutritive deficiencies. They help also to afford the body a better measure of ability to protect itself against several kinds of infection. It is known that disease is often due to the absence or shortage of some needed food material, and frequently only a slight shortage of some of the so called little things in nutrition—minerals and vitamins — may severely impair the body's ability to resist infections and ill health.

Children suffer the more lasting effects of a diet lacking in protective foods. If they do not have fruits and vegetables in the diet they lack some of the essential materials needed for growth and maintenance, and poor teeth, rickets, stunted growth, and lowered resistance to disease are the usual results.

No one food is so important to health as is milk, and as far as we know now there is no adequate substitute for it. One way to protect the health of the family this winter will be to see that every child has a glass of milk every meal, and every adult a glass at least one meal a day. Next in importance after milk come fruit and vegetables as a group. The more green—or yellow— colored vegetables or fruits are, the better they are. Vegetables need not be especially urged if enough fruit is used, while those who eat potatoes, tomatoes, and green vegetables need not be urged to provide fruit.

Along with milk, fruit, and vegetables for protective foods this winter, cod liver oil should be included—1 teaspoon daily for each child under 2 years and for all other children who are not strong and vigorous. An egg every day for the young children, and one every other day for the other members of the family should be included. It is best also to include every day a serving of meat, fish, or cheese, and some whole-grain product as oatmeal, creacked wheat, or whole wheat bread.

FEEDING FROZEN FODDER

Roughages such as alfalfa hay or corn fodder do not contain any appreciable quantities of poison dangerous to livestock, even though they have been frosted, says Cecil Elder of the Missouri College of Agriculture in answering inquiries concerning dangers in feeding roughages that have been frosted or otherwise damaged. There is, therefore, no danger of poisoning following the feeding of this material after it has been frosted or frozen.

Mouldy fodder and mouldy legume hay (with the possible exception of damaged sweet clover) are not in themselves poisonous to domestic livestock, but the feed- of mouldy feed such as these may be injurious because of the digestive disturbances which it may cause. It is always best not to feed mouldy feed, but if it is not too mouldy or too badly spoiled it may be utilized with comparatively little danger, provided it is fed with caution. Animals that are not accustomed to such feed should be fed sparingly at first and never allowed excessive amounts of such food.

Frozen feed of other kinds, such as ensilage, will also cause digestive disturbances, especially in cattle and sheep, and it too should be fed with great caution. It is best to withhold such feed if possible until it has thawed out, or until the forst has passed off, before feeding it to cattle and sheep. Frosted or frozen alfalfa pasture does not seem to be poisonous or particularly dangerous to livestock.

WHEN CHRISTMAS COMES

and at all other times

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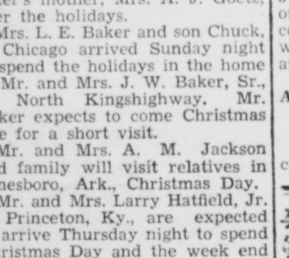

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FOR RENT—6-room brick house, practically new. Lynn Waggener, Phone 712. 1t-25

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Give Food This Xmas

You can, at very small cost, bring happiness to someone who will really appreciate it.

For Your Own Christmas Dinner

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LAIR STORE NEWS

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Our 39th Year in Southeast Missouri

THE HOME STRETCH

Milling around of Christmas crowds—looking for this ,that and the other has three more days to run and then no more of it for another twelve months. Merchants will miss the happy faces and interested manner of customers in making selections that furnish the greatest thrills to relatives, friends and sweethearts. It has appeared to us that shoppers this season have shown rather plainly that Christmas is in their hearts. On that score we here reprint a short jingle penned by a good friend of other years, which seems appropriate;

"If it's Christmas in your heart
Then it's Christmas everywhere.
There may be songs and laughter
And sleigh bells coming after
And crystal gladness in the air,
But only Christmas in your HEART
Makes TRUE Christmas everywhere

LOOKS GOOD AHEAD

Our selling campaign this fall has been very satisfactory. More merchandise has been distributed than ever before in a like period. For such results we are grateful. But more important than sales volume has been the cheerful spirit and confident attitude of buyers, particularly those who live on farms. This may be taken as an omen of activity and prosperity which we have reason to expect in 1937 over S. E. Mo.

ON THE JOB TILL DOORS CLOSE

The fact will bear repeating that we have more merchandise of greater variety in our place this moment than was ever carried by any furniture retailer in Sikeston past or present. Prices are correct in every instance and service the best we know how to give . Last minute shoppers may therefore find hundreds of gift items appropriate for any occasion during the few days between now and Christmas. Our store will be open every evening and on Thursday evening will remain open till visitors stop coming. Time payments are agreeable on all larger purchases.

GREETINGS—GOOD WILL—'N EVER'THING

It is our wish that all your joys may combine to give you a pleasant Christmas day and that the coming New Year may prove to be the happiest and best of all. We'll be seeing' you in 1937 with a lot of swell attractions for homes and along with that, courteous and sincere service.

Just in time for CHRISTMAS

FOR HIM	FOR HER
Shaving Sets	Perfume Sets
Fitted Travelling Cases	Fitted Traveling Bags
Cigars — Cigarettes	Compacts
Pipes—Pouches—Lighters	Manicure Sets
Kodaks—Pens	Dresser Sets
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Military Brushes	Wrist Watches
Monogrammed Stationery	Clocks—Candies
Electric Razors	Toilet Waters
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A candy buy. Plenty of good chocolates at this low price..... **98c**

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A real close out sale on our complete line of metal ware! With each purchase of one item in this group we will give you your choice of any other item absolutely free.

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Creamers	Gravy Boats

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The Ideal Gift For A Gentleman

A Shaving Set that is sure to please, the five articles in this set usually sell for $1.75 our special price

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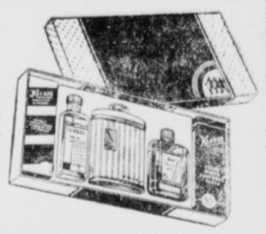

Hey Kids! Double Votes!

The Boys and Girls contest closes at Noon, December 24th! You get double votes from now until Christmas.

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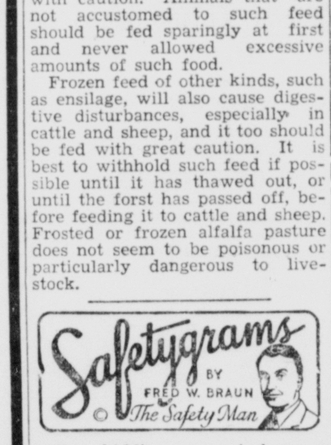

The skidding season is here, so watch your step. When driving an automobile on slippery roads no matter how good your brakes are, don't depend on them entirely. You should have your car under control at all times and adjust your driving to the prevailing conditions. Careful drivers seldom skid.

As a pedestrian, don't depend too much on the ability of the driver to stop or slow down, especially at arterials and regulated intersections. Many a pedestrian has been seriously injured because he placed too much confidence in the ability of a driver to stop his car on a slippery road. Play safe and you will be safe.

The automobiles of W. E. Oakes, Walnut, Kan., and Earl Rogers, Fordland, Mo., collided near Lamar, Mo. Oakes stepped out of the wreckage, said it was all his fault and took Rogers to town, where he purchased a new car for him.

The Sikeston Standard $2 per year

For Christmas Gifts

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